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HISTORICAL DRAMA “SUBMIT!” COMES TO THE BRICK STORE MUSEUM

KENNEBUNK, Maine – Don’t miss a chance to experience Maine history firsthand, when the historical drama, “Submit!” comes to The Brick Store Museum’s Program Center at 4 Dane Street in Kennebunk on Wednesday, September 30, at 7PM. Tickets sold in advance and at the door are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and \$5 for children up to age 16.

What happened to the Province of Maine more than 350 years ago is the basis of this compelling theater performance. “Submit!” was initially written for York, Maine’s 350th anniversary in 2002 as a full-length production with multiple actors by York author and playwright Michael Kimball—whose plays have been produced nationally and have even earned him an Edgar nomination—and award-winning journalist Jennifer Saunders. Through the Museums of Old York and a generous grant from Kennebunk Savings Bank, Kimball and Saunders teamed up once again to distill the original production into a four-person, one-act version.

This new iteration of “Submit!” re-creates a cold November morning in 1652, when two powerful men come face to face in Nicholas Davis’s Tavern in Gorgeana, or what is now known as York Harbor. In an hour’s time, the formidable Simon Bradstreet of Massachusetts Bay Colony and Edward Godfrey, the founder of Gorgeana, struggle over the fate of a city, a colony, and the soul of a new nation. In that one hour, our destinies as future “Mainers” changed forever. The audience is brought into the production in the place of the actual citizens of Gorgeana, where they are asked to choose whether to side with Massachusetts Bay Colony or remain, as their town’s founder urges them, independent and free.

“Submit!” is directed by Joe Dominguez, features instrumental music recorded by Joyce Andersen, and stars renowned Seacoast actors Roland Goodbody as Sir Thomas Morton, Don Court as Edward Godfrey, Gregg Trzaskowski as Commissioner Simon Bradstreet, and Joyce Andersen as Gorgeana local Mary Tapp. The Brick Store Museum venue of this production is made possible by a grant from the Virginia Hodgkins Somers Foundation.

The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk’s historic district. For more than 70 years, the Museum has been dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region’s cultural and artistic heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays – Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Admission is by donation, suggested \$5 per person. Visit www.brickstoremuseum.org or call 207-985-4802 for further information.

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