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## A Cultural Exchange Takes Centre Stage

SJTC returns favour by hosting colleagues from Germany for a powerful production of an Ancient Greek tragedy.



SAINT JOHN – A cultural exchange that emerged in 2015 has resulted in a partnership and friendship between two theatre companies' worlds away.

The Saint John Theatre Company is pleased to host Theatre Konstanz from Konstanz, Germany next month as they present a fully German production of the Ancient Greek tragedy *Medea* with English sur-titles (April 19 & 21).

The partnership began in the summer of 2015 when the Intendant of Theatre Konstanz, Dr. Christoph Nix, toured the SJTC production facility and expressed interest in the SJTC upcoming production of *An Enemy of the People*. As a result of these discussions, a cultural exchange evolved in which the SJTC production of *An Enemy of the People* traveled to Theatre Konstanz in January of 2017. Working alongside the teams at Theatre Konstanz was an amazing experience for the entire SJTC team. Exchanging best practices and performing for a new audience, was a confidence boost for the cast and crew.

*“It isn’t just ‘touring’. It is about starting a conversation with international theatre-makers. It’s about building new relationships worldwide that can inspire and sustain new periods of growth for our company and our cultural community,”* adds Stephen Tobias, SJTC Artistic Director.

Now it is time to return the favour. A team from Theatre Konstanz will be performing at the BMO Studio Theatre, 112 Princess Street. *Medea* will run for two public performances on April 19 and 21 as well as two free student matinees for local area high school students.

Tickets for *Medea* are \$27.50 for adults and \$15 for students and can be purchased by visiting [www.ticketpro.ca](http://www.ticketpro.ca) or by calling 1-888-311-9090.

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