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**Mary Verdi Opens the Holiday Season at The Colonial Theatre**

**Pittsfield, MA** – Mary Verdi and special guests Bobby Sweet & Ron Ramsey will ring in the Holiday Season on Thanksgiving Weekend at The Colonial Theatre on November 30 at 7pm and December 1 at 2pm.

Tickets to Christmas at The Colonial with Mary Verdi are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 16 and under. Contact the Colonial Ticket Office at 111 South Street, Pittsfield by calling 413-997-4444. Tickets can also be purchased online at [www.berkshiretheatregroup.org](http://www.berkshiretheatregroup.org). The Ticket Office is open Monday-Friday 10am-5pm, Saturdays 10am-2pm or on any performance day from 10am until curtain.

Every year, Mary Verdi's Christmas at the Colonial show invites families from across the Berkshires to a very special holiday celebration. Mary created this show for all to enjoy an unforgettable performance that includes a sing-along of old favorites, dancing, a children's choir, bell choir, and a full band with strings and horns featuring area performers.

In its 4<sup>th</sup> year at The Colonial, this year's show will feature Mary Verdi and her band, guest artists Bobby Sweet & Ron Ramsey, A Children's Chorus, Dalton Ballet, Berkshire Music School Violins, St. Ann Children's Chorus, Berkshire Pulse Drum Core, Neighborhood Gang, and of course, Santa!

Mary will be performing selections from her *Christmas in the Berkshires* CD as well holiday favorites like "Silver Bells," "There's No Place Like Home for the Holidays," "Oh Holy Night," and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas!"

For more information about the performance, please visit our website at [www.BerkshireTheatreGroup.org](http://www.BerkshireTheatreGroup.org)

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**About Berkshire Theatre Group**

The Colonial Theatre, founded in 1903, and Berkshire Theatre Festival, founded in 1928, are two of the oldest cultural organizations in the Berkshires. Having united in November of 2010 under the leadership of Artistic Director and CEO Kate Maguire, these two institutions are providing the Berkshires and beyond with the finest in live theatre, music, dance and the visual arts on five stages in Stockbridge, MA, Pittsfield, MA and Lenox, MA. The Fitzpatrick Main Stage (400 seats), cataloged by the National Register of Historic Places, was originally designed and built by Stanford White as the Stockbridge Casino in 1888. The intimate Unicorn Theatre (122 seats) is a home for emerging artists and new theatrical ideas. The Colonial in Pittsfield (780 seats) re-opened in August of 2006, following a \$21 million restoration, and boasts pristine acoustics, classic gilded age architecture and state-of-the-art technical systems. BTG also performs at the newly built outdoor Neil Ellenoff stage at the Mount and at The Garage, a music venue located in the lobby of The Colonial. Together they serve over 100,000 patrons per year and reach over 17,000 students through their educational

and outreach programs. For more information on BTF call (413) 298-5536 and on The Colonial call (413) 448-8084. To purchase tickets, call (413) 997-4444 or (413) 298-5576 or go online to [www.BerkshireTheatreGroup.org](http://www.BerkshireTheatreGroup.org).