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## The Ferryman

By Jez Butterworth Directed by Sam Mendes

- Final performance announced for the West End production of *The Ferryman*
- More than 350,000 people will have seen the production during its year long run of 410 performances, with over 14,000 tickets sold at £12.50 or under
- The award-winning hit play has received 24 five star reviews and will run at London's Gielgud Theatre until 19 May 2018
- Broadway production of Jez Butterworth's *The Ferryman* announced for October 2018, directed by Sam Mendes

Sonia Friedman Productions, Neal Street Productions and Royal Court Theatre Productions today confirm the final performance for the West End run of Jez Butterworth's *The Ferryman*, directed by Sam Mendes, will take place at the Gielgud Theatre on 19 May 2018 prior to its Broadway transfer.

The production won widespread critical acclaim when it opened at the Royal Court and was the fastest selling show in the theatre's history. This phenomenal success has continued at the Gielgud Theatre where it has been playing to sold-out houses. Jez Butterworth was recently recognised for Best New Play at the prestigious UK Theatre Critics' Circle Awards and last year received four nominations at the annual London Evening Standard Theatre Awards, winning three honours for Best Play (Jez Butterworth), Best Director (Sam Mendes) and the Emerging Talent Award (Tom Glynn-Carney).

Due to overwhelming demand, the production extended its run to 19 May 2018 and the current company includes **Rosalie Craig** (*As You Like It, The Threepenny Opera, The Light Princess* and *London Road*, National Theatre) in the role of Caitlin Carney, **Owen McDonnell** (*Single-Handed*, RTÉ/ ITV; *Paula*, BBC) playing Quinn Carney and **Justin Edwards** (*The Thick of It*, BBC; *The Man Who Invented Christmas; The Death Of Stalin*) as Tom Kettle.

Further new cast members include **Stella McCusker** as Aunt Maggie Far Away, **Siân Thomas** as Aunt Pat, **Declan Conlon** as Muldoon, **Dean Ashton** as Frank Magennis, **Terence Keeley** as Diarmaid Corcoran, **Sean Delaney** as Michael Carney, **Francis** 

Mezza as Shane Corcoran, Kevin Creedon as JJ Carney, Laurie Kynaston as Oisin Carney and Saoirse-Monica Jackson as Shena Carney.

**Catherine McCormack** continues in her role as Mary Carney, along with **Charles Dale** as Father Horrigan, **Mark Lambert** as Uncle Pat and **Glenn Speers** as Lawrence Malone. As previously the full company comprises 37 performers: 17 main adults, 7 covers, 12 children on rota and 1 baby.

*The Ferryman* in the West End is directed by Sam Mendes, designed by Rob Howell, lighting by Peter Mumford, sound and original music by Nick Powell, with the current cast directed by Tim Hoare.

Sonia Friedman Productions and Neal Street Productions will transfer *The Ferryman* to Broadway at the Bernard B. Jacobs Theatre (242 W 45th St, New York) opening in October 2018.

Tickets for the Broadway production of *The Ferryman* will go on-sale on Monday 5 March through Telecharge.com.

Full production schedule, the 30-plus member cast and full creative team for *The Ferryman* on Broadway will be announced at a later date.

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## **West End Listings:**

Sonia Friedman Productions, Neal Street Productions & Royal Court Theatre Productions with Rupert Gavin, Gavin Kalin Productions, Ron Kastner and Tulchin Bartner Productions present The Ferryman By Jez Butterworth Directed by Sam Mendes

Designer Rob Howell
Lighting Designer Peter Mumford
Composer & Sound Designer Nick Powell
New Cast Director Tim Hoare
Casting Director Amy Ball CDG

**Gielgud Theatre** 

Shaftesbury Ave, Soho, London W1D 6AR Until 19 May 2018 Box Office: 0844 482 5130\* \*calls cost up to 7p per minute plus your standard network charge Online: <a href="www.TheFerrymanPlay.com">www.TheFerrymanPlay.com</a> Monday to Saturday 7.00pm, Wednesday and Saturday matinees 1.30pm.

Day seats will be available to purchase at £12 for every performance from 10.30am at the Box Office in person
Premium tickets are available

Age Guidance 14+ Contains strong language

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