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## The FAC Gives Special Thanks this Holiday Season Gifting 200 Theatre Tickets to Military & First Responders

COLORADO SPRINGS (Dec 8, 2015) — The Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center (FAC) announces the release of 200 free tickets for the December 31<sup>st</sup> performance of the live holiday musical, *Irving Berlin's White Christmas* to military and first responder families. In response to the recent tragedies in Colorado Springs, the FAC wants to express gratitude for those who work, fight and put themselves in harm's way to keep us safe. The men and women from our military and first responder community who attend this New Year's Eve show will be specially recognized in a live curtain speech at the beginning of the performance.

FAC Executive Producing Artistic Director, Scott RC Levy stated, "Our community is filled with talented men and women who serve and protect us on a daily basis. This is our way of giving back and thanking them. As Irving Berlin himself noted, 'God Bless America!'"

Tickets are available in person at the FAC (30 West Dale St.) and are available on a first come, first served basis until they are all distributed. Limit four per family and must show a valid military/department identification to claim.

"During these days of both global and local uncertainty we want to honor and support our community's public safety and military personnel," said FAC CEO, David Dahlin. "The Arts can both challenge and soothe. Right now, some soothing is in order. This feel-good production about WWII veterans provides the ideal opportunity to bring some holiday cheer to our community members who risk their lives to protect ours."

The FAC invites local businesses to help us in this effort through ticket underwriting. Interested parties can contact Clayton Zenner at 719-477-4319 or <a href="mailto:czenner@csfineartscenter.org">czenner@csfineartscenter.org</a> or Erin Hannan at 719-477-4342 or <a href="mailto:ehannan@csfineartscenter.org">ehannan@csfineartscenter.org</a> for more information.

## **Fine Arts Center**

The Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center, established in 1936, is a privately funded, non-profit art museum, professional theatre company and arts education center. Built on the foundation of the prestigious Broadmoor Art Academy, the FAC carries the legacy of Colorado's arts and cultural heritage. One of 16 charter members of the American Association of Museums, the FAC offers the best in the world of visual arts via its permanent collection and travelling exhibitions, as a TCG member theatre company, and arts education with the Bemis School of Art. The FAC building is considered an architectural landmark in the Rocky Mountain region, designed by John Gaw Meem, and is listed on the National Register for Historical Places. For information, visit csfineartscenter.org.