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## A New Comedy by Jonathan Tolins

(AUGUSTA, MI) The Barn Theatre School welcomes back the brilliant Scott Burkell to star in the uproarious comedy BUYER & CELLAR playing June 14 – 19. ONE WEEK ONLY!

What's a renowned diva to do with decades of memories? And where to put the acres of memorabilia bursting the seams of her lavish Malibu estate? If you're Barbra Streisand, you enshrine them in a mini-mall in your basement where you can pretend to go shopping! In this hilarious one-man show, which received rave reviews off-Broadway, BUYER & CELLAR imagines if Ms. Streisand hired someone to work in her underground mall. Out-of-work actor Alex More can't pass up the offer to play shopkeeper - hired to dust the dolls, man the frozen yogurt machine, and satisfy the whim of the one and only customer - Babs, herself. Soon it begins to take a toll on his patience, his love life, and his view of people (who need people). All of the characters are played by a single actor in a show unlike anything you've seen before!

The facts? Streisand actually has a shopping mall in the basement of her Malibu home, featuring a doll shop, an antique clothing store and a sweets shop, complete with a frozen yogurt machine, as detailed in her 2010 book. Author Jonathan Tolins takes the wackiness a step further. BUYER & CELLAR is an outrageous comedy about the price of fame, the cost of things, and the oddest of odd jobs!

Producer Brendan Ragotzy said, "This is the perfect show for Scott – a delightful vehicle for his massive talent. We are beyond thrilled to have him back for our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season!"

BUYER & CELLAR is directed by guest director Jim Garfield. Set is designed by Michael Wilson Morgan, with Costumes designed by Carly Heathcoat and Props designed by Samantha Rickard. Lighting Designed by Molly Lamperis and Sound is designed by Michael McShane with Technical Direction by John Dobson.

BUYER & CELLAR performances are Tuesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday at 5 p.m. June 14 through 19. ONE WEEK ONLY!

The Barn Theatre is located on M-96, west of Augusta. Tickets are \$37 for all performances. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express are accepted. Group rates available. The Box Office is open daily 10:00 am-10:00 pm. Tickets may now be purchased on the internet or on your smart phone via PayPal. ~ To reserve tickets at the Box Office - Call today: (269) 731-4121 or visit

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