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## Junior Players Runway Fashion Show, *Discover Runway Dreams*, Returns to the Stage Performance Date: April 7 - 9, 2021

DALLAS, TX, March 4, 2021 - Junior Players is excited to announce that it will be bringing back its popular runway fashion show, *Discover Runway Dreams*. This performance will kick off Junior Players Season of Unity at On The Levee (1108 Quaker St, Dallas, TX 75207) on April 7 – 9, 2021 at 7:30 pm. In addition to being the first live performance Junior Players is producing since their production of *The Wild Party* in January of 2020, *Discover Runway Dreams* will feature a partnership with the Crow Museum of Asian Art and eco-friendly and sustainable fashion from three local designers.

This runway show is a partnership that highlights young talent from the North Texas area. *Discover Runway Dreams* focuses on racial inequities, social justice barriers, and the current climate of our nation. 21 talented young models aged 5 through 17 will invite you to explore conversations of change as they walk the runway. Through the fabric of fashion trends, they are walking towards a brighter future.

To ensure public safety, this production will follow all CDC restrictions and guidelines, including social distancing audience members, requiring the use of a face mask at all times, and utilizing On The Levee's high efficiency, zoned HVAC system with double-digit MERV-rated filters and large garage doors that open, to effectively circulate air in the space.

As with all Junior Players programs, there will be no cost for the participants of the production. Ticketing options include \$50 for a café table that seats four (4), \$15 general admission individual seating, and \$10 Student/Senior individual seating. All individual seats will be spaced 6 feet apart per CDC regulations and tickets are available now at juniorplayers.org/tickets. Tickets will only be available for purchase online – no card or cash transactions will be allowed at the door in order to ensure public safety.

By providing this program, Junior Players gives young people a unique opportunity: the chance to make tangible connections between themselves, their peers, and their communities; to express themselves in a safe and supervised, yet flexible forum; and finally, to create this within the exciting, imaginative context of the arts.

Junior Players was founded in 1955 and is the oldest non-profit children's theater organization in Dallas. Over its sixty-six-year existence, Junior Players has striven to meet the changing needs of the community. From 1955 to 1989, Junior Players presented traditional children's theater productions performed entirely by children and teenagers. In 1989, the Board of Directors changed the focus of Junior Players activities, deciding that, Junior Players can best serve the youth of Dallas by providing free programming accessible to all the children of North Texas. Junior Players, therefore, exclusively provides free arts education programs in local recreation and cultural centers, housing projects, elementary and middle schools, and through social service agencies serving youth at risk.