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Let the *Virginia Theatre Machine* Transform your Annual Company Holiday Party!

Imagine everyone's surprise when they step outside to your parking lot to watch a private production of the Christmas classic, *A Christmas Carol*-only in this case it's performed by one actor in less than 15 minutes!

A fresh, entertaining & magical twist on the usual holiday party fare- and at a price that would even make Scrooge happy!

The short nature of this production allows for the Virginia Theatre Machine to be a thrilling addition to the customary holiday party, still allowing time before and after the performance for some of the established festivities that people expect. You may want to schedule 2 or 3 performances during the course of the party, depending on the length and number of people attending. The performance is suitable for audiences of all ages, so feel free to invite everyone's family if that's part of your annual tradition. Interested? Read on-

The Virginia Theatre Machine: A technically equipped mobile stage prepared to transport highly engaging and innovative professional theater to audiences anywhere an 8'x8' (x 11' h) 2,500 lb trailer can be stationed. Whether it is a parking lot, the local schoolyard, a public park or private beach, or even in front of your own back door, Virginia Theatre Machine will perform.

Master Thespians' A Christmas Carol: A solo performance extravaganza as Master Thespian attempts the grueling and stage defying act of recreating Dickens's classic tale of redemption- in less than 15 minutes! Master Thespian will transform himself into multiple characters of all ages, gender and spectral variety. Master Thespian will put himself in psychological harms way as he exposes his inner soul to the full range of emotions needed to transport his

audience from laughter to pity to shock to love to despair to hope. He will conclude with a full catharsis of all the emotions ever recorded. Master Thespian will perform this feat of theatrical wizardry on the stage of the newly minted Virginia Theatre Machine. Audiences will be able to gather around this outdoor stage to share in this intimate marvel of stagecraft with full production values: Lights, Sound, Sets, Props, Puppets, Costumes, & Special-Effects.

Artistic/Production Quality: This production will be directed by Virginia Theatre Machine's proprietor Mark J. Lerman, former Artistic Director (15 years) of the internationally renowned Perishable Theatre in Providence, RI. The sets, special effects and puppets will be designed by Jeremy Woodward, current art director for the Showtime series "The Brotherhood" and assistant to Broadway Designer Eugene Lee. Ed Whitacre, one of the Peninsula's favorite and most critically acclaimed actors will perform. Janea Whitacre, Millinery Mistress of the Millinery at Colonial Williamsburg, will design & build the costumes. Each artist has 20+ yrs experience in their field. The Virginia Theatre Machine is a custom built trailer with a professional light & sound system.

- System Specs:
 - Yamaha 500 Watt Powered Mixer & EAW Commercial SMS4 Speakers
 - 12 PAR 20 Light Fixtures
 - 4 x 1200Watt Dimmer Pack w/ 8/16 Channel DMX Control Console

Credentials: Mark J. Lerman directed a full production of *A Christmas Carol* at a major regional /Tony award winning theater. He has previously directed a variation of this shortened, one man *A Christmas Carol* to rave reviews. The Virginia Theatre Machine and its production of *Master Thespians' A Christmas Carol* will be in residence on weekends from Thanksgiving to Christmas in Merchants Square in downtown Williamsburg.

Master Thespians' A Christmas Carol has a limited number of days and times available between Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve, so please contact me if you are interested. I will be glad to schedule a meeting to present the trailer and show in more detail to you and your staff.

Sincerely yours,

Mark J. Lerman

PS. Bios of all the artists, as well as press quotes and reviews are available upon request.