



## Media Release

### **Shakespeare Festival Lights Up December 7th with 2000 Candles Mark That Date on Your 2010 Festival Lottery Calendar**

**Prescott, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009:**

Suitable for the whole family, 2000 Candles coming to Prescott Dec. 7 will entertain and inspire, make you laugh and make you think... and will be a nice respite from the pre-Christmas shopping spree.

So says St. Lawrence Shakespeare Festival Artistic Director Ian Farthing, noting that the production marks the first time the company will present a show outside of its regular summer season.

"It has long been our dream that the Festival would eventually produce theatre year-round and by bringing this production to Prescott from Toronto, we're moving one step closer to that goal," Farthing observed.

"The show is a musical theatre celebration of over 2000 Christmases. It's at once contemporary, hip, evocative and delightful. From vignette to vignette, the audience is taken on a journey through Christmas celebrations and traditions on a quest to find its true meaning."

Tom Carson, director of 2000 Candles, said the show is structured in such a way that "we progressively strip away the trappings of Christmas and are left with the lighting of a single candle representing the birth of Jesus."

And speaking of Christmas, one present that should be on everyone's list is the 2010 Daily Lottery Calendar, sold as a fundraiser for the Festival. At only \$20, the calendar is a wonderful stocking stuffer which also gives recipients a chance to win a cash prize every single day of the year – it's the gift that keeps on giving!

The St. Lawrence Shakespeare Festival presents Carson Productions' 2000 Candles

Monday December 7th, 8pm

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 425 Centre Street, Prescott

Tickets \$20 (\$15 youth)

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