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PROVIDENCE COLLEGE TO PRESENT BERTOLT BRECHT'S MOTHER COURAGE

PROVIDENCE, RI -- The final mainstage production of the Providence College Theatre Program will be the epic drama, MOTHER COURAGE AND HER CHILDREN. Under the direction of Mary G. Farrell, the production is being staged the evenings of March 26 through 30, at 8 PM in Harkins Hall Auditorium on the PC campus.

Written by Bertolt Brecht, with Music by Paul Dessau, MOTHER COURAGE AND HER CHILDREN has been called "a theatrical milestone," "a major theatrical event," and "the most direct, the most driven, and perhaps the most moving of Brecht's plays." Written in 1939, the play is a blunt commentary of modern man and his wars, as seen in the tragic life of a tough old woman. Mother Courage follows the troops in a battered wagon and makes her living selling brandy, clothing and shoes to the soldiers. Brecht points out that those who make a living from war must pay for it; as misfortune upon misfortune pile upon Mother Courage's back. She loses her three children, one by one, to the ravages of war.

Ticket prices for the production are \$3.50 general admission and \$2.50 for students. Reservations may be made by calling 865-2327. Tickets are also available at the door.