Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Ingmar Bergman's Birth with NORA

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UHM's Department of Theatre and Dance presents legendary filmmaker and director Ingmar Bergman's Nora during the centennial year of his birth. Bergman, born July 14, 1918, is globally known for his work in the film industry directing, writing, and producing over sixty films over the course of forty years including The Seventh Seal, Wild Strawberries, and Fanny and Alexander. In addition to his career in film, Bergman also worked in theatre directing 170 plays and writing and adapting plays for the stage like Nora. To celebrate the centennial of his birth, film institutes around the world like Cinematet, the Norwegian Film Institute in Oslo; the Detroit Film Theater; and the Filmhuset in Stockholm, Sweden are hosting retrospectives screening Bergman's works. Here in Honolulu, audiences can celebrate the 100th anniversary of his birth by attending Kennedy Theatre's production of Nora, a stage version of Henrik Ibsen's A Doll House by Ingmar Bergman adapted and translated by Frederick J. Marker and Lise-Lone Marker. Nora runs April 13-22 with shows at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 22.

In Nora, Nora's husband, Torvald Helmer, has just been promoted to bank manager when an old, widowed friend of Nora's, Christine Linde, comes back into town seeking a job. Helmer hires her to do office work, giving away the job of a former lawyer with a shady reputation. However, what Helmer does not know is that Nora had previously borrowed money on the sly from this lawyer, Nils Krogstad, in order to save Helmer's life-something a woman was not allowed to do without her husband or father's consent. Krogstad blackmails Nora to persuade Helmer into giving Krogstad his job back. Krogstad drops a letter exposing Nora's secret into Helmer's mailbox, which he later discovers and reads, leading to Nora's epiphany about her actual status in this marriage.

Tickets for Nora are available 24/7 online at etickethawaii.com, by phone at (808) 944-2697, and at official outlets. Sales at the Kennedy Theatre Box Office begin on Monday, April 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday with extended sales hours on show days.