



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – JANUARY 28, 2019

McCARTER TO HOST A SPECIAL SOCIAL JUSTICE AND RACIAL/CULTURAL LITERACY COMMUNITY NETWORKING EVENT

*Special post-show event will take place immediately following the Tuesday, February 5th performance of Eleanor Burgess' *The Niceties* in McCarter's Berlind Theatre*

PRINCETON, NJ: McCarter Theatre Center's world-premiere production of **Eleanor Burgess' *The Niceties*** is sparking thousands of conversations about race, history, and power. Directed by **Kimberly Senior** (*Disgraced* on Broadway), *The Niceties* features **Lisa Banes** and **Jordan Boatman** as a white professor and a black student involved in a polite clash of perspectives which quickly explodes into an urgent and dangerous debate threatening to ruin both their lives. Now, McCarter is furthering the conversation by reaching out to people and organizations active in the social justice and racial and cultural literacy communities throughout the state of New Jersey.

All are welcome to share in a performance of Eleanor Burgess's *The Niceties* and join in a post-show conversation—structured as a facilitated sharing circle of listening and reflection—followed by person-to-person networking. This special event will take place following the 7:30 p.m. performance of *The Niceties* on Tuesday, February 5.

In addition to creating a space for personal reflection on the experience of the play in performance and the resonance of its story and themes, we seek to provide an opportunity for the attending organizations to boost their signals and share-out about their missions and the work they are doing.

[Visit McCarter.org for more information on *The Niceties*](http://McCarter.org), running now through February 10.

For further inquiries and more information, contact: Tom Miller, Director of Public Relations tmiller@mccarter.org or 609.258.6524.

McCarter Theatre Center is at 91 University Place, Princeton, NJ 08540 | mccarter.org.