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# **STATE THEATRE NEW JERSEY HOSTS MASTERCLASS WITH SIR JAMES GALWAY**

**New Brunswick, NJ** (April 15, 2019)—On March 19, State Theatre New Jersey hosted a masterclass with legendary flutist **Sir James Galway**. Three young flutists were chosen to perform for Sir James, who gave them valuable feedback and instruction.. In addition, he spoke at length to the students and an invited audience about the history of the flute, playing techniques, how to practice, and how to take care of the instrument. The three student participants were Wenonah resident **Hunter Green**, a masters student at Mannes Conservatory of Music, where he studies with Judy Mendenhall; **Hannah Lee** a student at East Brunswick High School; and **Clara Ma**, a student at Central Middle School in Stirling.

“Sir James Galway is passionate about teaching and inspiring the next generation of musicians,” said **Lian Farrer, Vice President of Education & Community Engagement**.

“State Theatre New Jersey was thrilled to give these young flutists a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn from the greatest flutist of our generation. He gave them knowledge and insights that will help them bring their performance to a whole new level.”

“The opportunity to learn from a master like Sir James Galway is not one that many people will ever have, and I will forever appreciate it,” said **Clara Ma**.

From his working-class Belfast roots to the world’s greatest stages, Sir James Galway’s illustrious music career boasts over 30 million album sales worldwide, extensive touring, frequent television appearances, and a true passion for music education.

Sir James and his wife Lady Jeanne Galway share their wisdom and experience with the musical generation of tomorrow year-round at The Galway Flute Academy. The Academy, which includes daily masterclasses, weekend residencies, and 10-day flute festivals, not only gives them joy, but helps to change and enhance the lives of flutists of all levels.

***About State Theatre New Jersey***

*The theater exists to enrich people's lives, contribute to a vital urban environment, and build future audiences by presenting the finest performing artists and entertainers and fostering lifetime appreciation for the performing arts through arts education. State Theatre New Jersey's programs are made possible by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. Grant funding has been provided by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders through a grant award from the Middlesex County Cultural and Arts Trust Fund. United is the official airline of the State Theatre.*

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