CONN. PREMIERE – *WET: A DACAmented Journey*

A One-Man Show Relating Politics of DACA to His Personal Struggle

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (Oct. 10, 2018) - Alex Alpharaoh’s one-man performance of *WET: A DACAmented Journey* premieres at the University of Saint Joseph on Friday, Oct. 26, 2018 and Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hoffman Auditorium, Bruyette Athenaeum.

Autorino Center Director Steve Raider-Ginsburg said, “We are so fortunate to have *WET* as part of our USJ Got Soul season, it is a gripping personal story, rich in humanity as well as adept with sharing moments of humor.”

*WET: A DACAmented Journey* is the autobiographical account of Alex Alpharaoh, born Anner Alfaro Cividanis, an American in every sense except on paper. This one-man show examines the mental, emotional, and psychological hardships he has to endure while navigating a broken U.S. immigration system, all so he can remain in Los Angeles – the only home he has ever known. *WET: A DACAmented Journey* is a powerful and personal look at this urgent and timely issue.

After being smuggled into the U.S. from Guatemala by his teenage mother, the play highlights the challenges Alpharaoh faces to build a career and a life for himself and his family in the United States’ divisive political climate. Masterful lighting, an intimate set, and impactful spoken word segments compliment his performance as a range of intriguing characters.

A playwright, actor, and poet, Alex Alpharaoh is the creator of SP!T: Spoken Word Theatre and a founder of Urban Theater Movement in Los Angeles. He regularly performs as a spoken word
artist at venues across the country. Alpharaoh’s performance in \textit{WET: A DACAmented Journey} won him the 2017 Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award for Solo Performance.

Tickets are $15-$22 on Saturday, Oct. 27. The Friday, October 26 date is a Pay-It-Forward event. Pay-it-Forward performances are free of charge, made possible by prior gifts of generosity. Please consider giving a gift of any level to expand our Pay-it-Forward performances. Tickets are available for purchase at the Frances Driscoll Box Office: 860.231.5555 or online at tickets.usj.edu.

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