HAMMER THEATRE CENTER PRESENTS NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE SCREENING OF

"KING LEAR" STARRING IAN MCKELLEN

7:00pm, Thursday, October 11, 2018

WHAT: **Hammer Theatre Center** presents the National Theatre Live screening of the five-star Chichester Festival Theatre production ***King Lear*** starring Ian McKellen in the title role. This contemporary retelling of Shakespeareôs tender, violent, and shocking play follows two fathers as family and state are plunged into a violent power struggle with bitter ends. One a King and the other his courtier, both men reject the children who truly love them, and their blindness unleashes a tornado of pitiless ambition and treachery. Starring Ian McKellen (*The Lord of the Rings, The Hobbit, X-Men)*, the performance was filmed during its limited run in the West End. Critics applauded ***King Lear*** unanimously, with reviewers calling it ñExtraordinarily movingò (*The Independent*), ñNuanced and powerfulò (*The Times*), and ñA triumphò (*Evening Standard*).

Audiences will be viewing a high-definition screening of the acclaimed London stage production captured live at Londonôs National Theatre.

WHERE: **Hammer Theatre Center**
101 Paseo De San Antonio, San Jose
(Between 2nd and 3rd Streets)

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TICKETS: For tickets ($14-$21) the public may visit **www.hammertheatre.com** or call **(408) 924-8501**.

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