## PACT-PGC PROPOSED CONTRACT CHANGES SUMMARY

#### For Ratification in June 2025

## What PGC Gets:

Most **playwright fees will go** up 4% as of 30 June 2025, followed by a 3% hike in 2026/27, and then another 3% hike in 2027/28. This will apply to:

- The minimum **guarantee**, raised from \$2000 to \$2200 (a 10% increase) before the fee hikes apply.
- The minimum guarantee for productions with less than 7 shows (currently \$75).
- The Minimum Commission fees for all five tiers of the theatres.
- TYA flat fee rates for School tours (currently at \$72.50 a show).
- \*Workshop and Reading fees will also increase, going from \$70 to \$83 for a half day, and from \$137 to \$161.50 for a full day.
- \*Payments for the **Extension of the Right to Produce** are no longer recoupable via a future production for the theatres (it is non-refundable; the playwright keeps the money).
- \*Adaptations and translations (the Stratford Festival excepted) will now get a minimum royalty of 10% on all premiere contracts (stock contracts are TBN).
- \*A 2% fee for late payments made by theatres for royalites, fees, and RRSPs.

### What PACT Gets:

The introduction of a graduated system for the **threshold before participation rights** kick in, based on the theatre's gross annual budget in the previous year:

- Theatre Budget under \$1,000,000: \$10,000 in royalties.
- Theatre Budget from \$1,000,001 to \$3,499,999: \$15,000 in royalties.
- Theatre Budget from \$3,500,000 to \$4,999,999: \$18,000 in royalties.
- Theatre Budget from \$5,000,000 or more: \$25,000 in royalties.
- \*Acknowledgement of Developing Theatres when it comes to billing credits.
- \*Two **new meal options** when the playwright travels for a workshop or reading.
- \*TYA tour payments will be made quarterly instead of monthly.

# What We Both Get:

- Slightly revamped RRSP submission procedure (playwright's money upfront).
- A commitment to transparency when it comes to Artificial Intelligence (AI), and
  the creation of an AI Working group to delve into the matter and develop contract
  language for the next round of negotiations.
- A new Anti-Harassment clause that provides guiding principles, definitions, and a reporting mechanism for members of both associations.
- An annual Playwright Reading event at PACTCon every year going forward.
- The ability to **send notices by email**, and a switch to **e-filing** for all contracts.