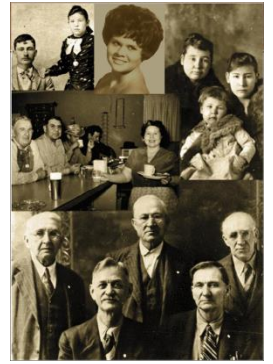


Praise for *PORTRAIT OF MY PEOPLE*



"...a sincere look at a life marked by its Native American component. She's (Erin Kelley) both passionate and charming, and so sincere, that being able to share in her childhood and knowledge makes the listener feel like the recipient of a gift."

Joe Pollack, Theatre Critic
St. Louis Eats & Drinks

"I have Native American heritage on both sides of my family. Your performance has made me feel more proud than I have ever felt in my life."

Yvonne
Avalon Theatre Company Patron

"I think I enjoyed it as much as the kids in the audience did...captivating..."

Judith Newmark, Theatre Critic
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

"When I get home, I want to find out more about the Cherokee in my family!"

Clayton, age 9
Cub Scout

"Wow. You have honored the story telling history of your people in a new millennium way. *Portrait* is moving on so many levels. It reminds me of our American history and my personal family history. It also tells the story of so many cultures, displaced, yet surviving and thriving. As an adoptive parent, I hope to use it to open a window of discussion with my children about how they can honor their biological and adoptive ancestry."

Renee
Avalon Theatre Company Patron

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