

# SHEA'S CALL-BOARD

JULY 10, 2024

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## JIMMY AWARDS

### CELEBRATING AND SUPPORTING ARTS IN HIGH SCHOOLS

On Monday, June 24th, 102 exceptionally talented students made their Broadway debuts on the Minskoff Theatre stage during the 2024 National High School Musical Theatre Awards® Ceremony, also known as the Jimmy Awards.® Among the nominees were the Best Actor and Best Actress Winners of the inaugural Shea's High School Musical Theatre Awards, Connor Hesch and Tori Gill. They did a wonderful job representing the incredible talent found in students in the Buffalo area!

Leading up to the performance, the nominees spent their days intensely rehearsing. The nominees also engaged in coaching sessions to polish their preliminary audition material, headed by some of the best professionals in the theatre industry.

To assess their dance abilities, the nominees participated in the Jimmy's® annual dance call. The session is used to showcase the nominees' individual movement abilities for the ceremony's choreographers and special guests from MJ THE MUSICAL on Broadway.

Though the student nominees were training hard for this once-in-a-lifetime performance, they were also given the Broadway star treatment! All 102 nominees were surprised with the opportunity to see the dress rehearsal of the 2024 American Theatre Wing Tony Awards. This was the first time the Jimmy Awards® and the Tony Awards fell on the same weekend, so the students were the first in the program's history to experience this opportunity. Later in the day, the students were even more surprised when they learned that they were actually attending the awards that evening as well.



Connor Hesch and Tori Gill posing with the Jimmy Awards® logo inside Julliard, where the nominees rehearsed.



Our nominees, Tori Gill and Connor Hesch attending the 77th Annual Tony Awards Ceremony.



The 77th Annual Tony Awards Ceremony Playbill.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### SHEA'S BUFFALO

**YOGA ON THE STAGE**  
JUL 24

**NEPHEW TOMMY  
HOUSE PARTY COMEDY JAM**  
AUG 31

**RUPAUL'S DRAG RACE ALL  
STARS LIVE**  
SEP 12

**BORED TEACHERS: THE  
STRUGGLE IS REAL!  
COMEDY TOUR**  
SEP 14

**THE PRICE IS RIGHT LIVE**  
SEP 21

**SOME LIKE IT HOT**  
2024-25 FIVE STAR BANK BROADWAY  
SEASON  
SEP 24-29

**HAMILTON**  
2024-25 FIVE STAR BANK BROADWAY  
SEASON SPECIAL SUBSCRIBER ADD-ON  
OCT 15-27

### SHEA'S 710

**TEMPTATIONS AND THE FOUR  
TOPS**  
JUL 20

**EXPERIENCE THE BEST OF VAN  
HALEN**  
JUL 26

**FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR  
SEASONS TRIBUTE:**  
**DECEMBER 63**  
AUG 2

**SEX N' THE CITY: A MUSICAL  
PARODY**  
AUG 4

**SPEAKER SERIES— NEWSIES**  
SHEA'S YOUNG PROFESSIONALS  
AUG 21

**DISNEY'S NEWSIES**  
2024-25 FREY ELECTRIC SEASON  
D'YOUVILLE KAVINOKY THEATRE  
SEP 12-29

### SHEA'S SMITH

**DARIENNE LAKE IN ALTERED  
BOY**  
OCT 11-12

The magical moments didn't stop there! On the 18th, the nominees had dinner at Sardi's- the iconic, century-old, restaurant decked in portraits by Richard Baratz of Broadway royalty. After dinner, the nominees walked to Times Square to see their faces in lights on a digital billboard, courtesy of MJ THE MUSICAL. Afterward, they attended a performance of MJ THE MUSICAL, and engaged in a talkback with members of the cast, with a surprise appearance by Jackie Jackson. The next day, June 19th, the nominees also participated in a special panel discussion with Senior Director of Theatre Operations, Tammy Ward, DEI Manager Cassandra James of the Shubert Organization, along with Broadway League Director of Diversity and Inclusion Darrelle Johnson, and EDI Associate Tré Dukes. The panel focused on Juneteenth and the importance of belonging on Broadway.

The nominees received exclusive press features, with their headshots posted in the New York Times and they performed the ceremony opening number for invited members of the press.

Our nominees, Connor and Tori were a part of the Featured Group Song, A Celebration of Dreamers and Dreams. The number allowed them to perform iconic songs in the music theatre canon. During the day, while the character medley groups rehearsed, this group got the exciting opportunity to walk through Broadway history at The Museum of Broadway.



Photo by Angela Gonzalez



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A sneak peek into the rehearsal room of The Jimmy Awards® featuring our nominees, Tori Gill and Connor Hesck!

Before they knew it, the nominees made their Broadway debut, celebrating the amazing student talent around the country! The top honors of the evening went to Damson Chola Jr. of Dallas, TX and Gretchen Shope of East Lansing, MI for The 2024 Jimmy Award® for Best Performance by an Actor and The 2024 Jimmy Award® for Best Performance by an Actress, respectively.

Everyone on the Minskoff stage showed off their incredible talent and passion. Congrats again to Connor and Tori for representing the first year of the Shea's High School Musical Theatre Awards and all of Buffalo in this year's ceremony.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

### HUNDRED DAYS

MusicalFare Theatre  
MusicalFare Theatre Premier Cabaret  
JUL 10- AUG 11

### ALICE BY HEART

Bellissima Productions  
Bellissima Productions  
JUL 11- 21

### SISTER ACT THE MUSICAL

Curtain Up Productions  
Historic Lockport Palace Theatre  
JUL 11- 22

### THE GOLDEN GIRLS: THE LOST EPISODES VOLUME 5

O'Connell & Company  
O'Connell & Company  
JUL 11- 21

### HENRY V

Shake on the Lake  
Multiple Locations- New York State Tour  
JUL 18- AUG 3

### JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

Starry Night Theatre, Inc.  
The Ghostlight Theatre  
JUL 25- AUG 4

### THE COMEDY OF ERRORS

Shakespeare in Delaware Park  
Shakespeare in Delaware Park  
JUL 25- AUG 18

### A WRINKLE IN TIME

Aurora Players  
The Roycroft Pavilion  
AUG 2-18

### DRUNK MURDER MYSTERY

Drunk Theatre Buffalo  
The Attic at Mr. Goodbar  
AUG 4-SEP 10

### COMMENSALITY

Torn Space Theatre  
Silo City  
AUG 9-18

### THE PROM

MusicalFare Theatre  
MusicalFare Theatre Mainstage  
SEP 4- OCT 6

### JERSEY BOYS

Curtain Up Productions  
Historic Lockport Palace Theatre  
SEP 5- 15

### DRACULA: A COMEDY OF TERRORS

Irish Classical Theatre  
The Andrews Theatre  
SEP 13- 29

### SHIPWRECKED! AN ENTERTAINMENT- THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF LOUIS DE ROUGE (AS TOLD BY HIMSELF)

Road Less Traveled Productions  
Road Less Traveled Theatre  
SEP 13- OCT 13

### THE LAST FIVE YEARS

Kenan Center  
Taylor Theatre  
SEP 19-Oct 6



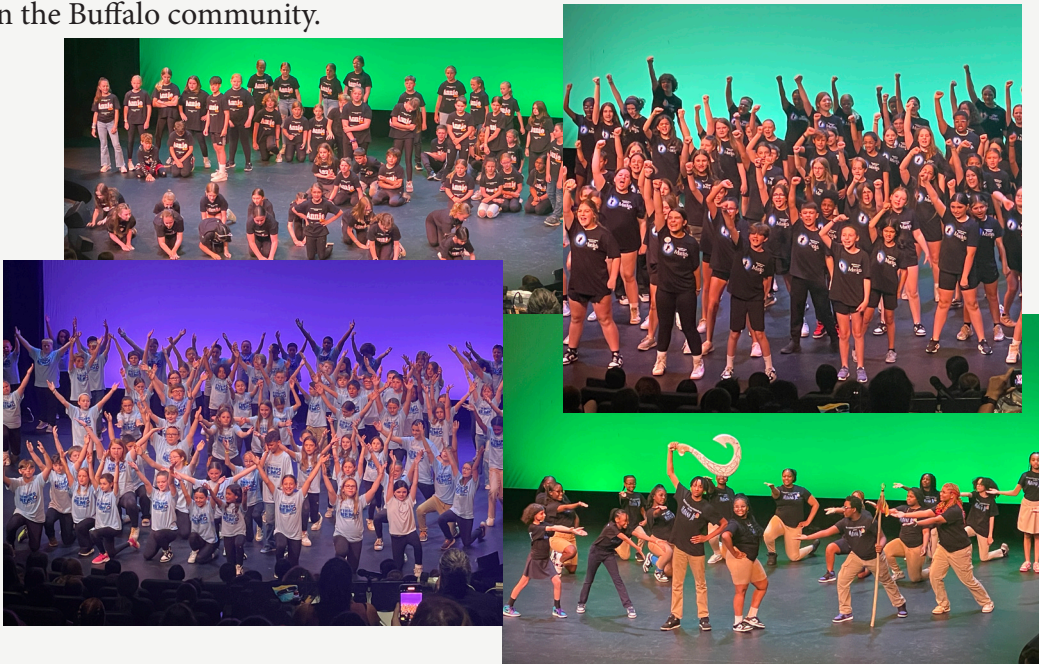
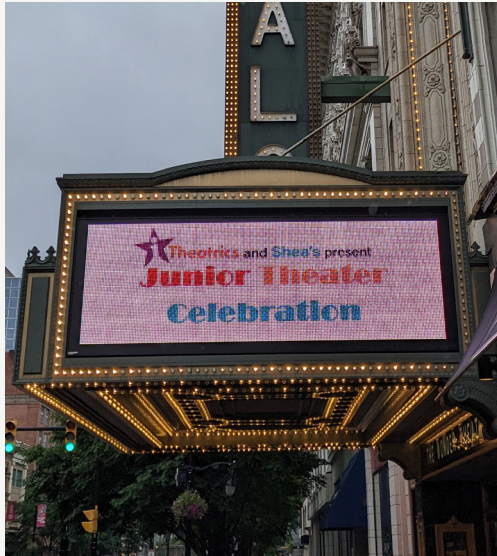
# JUNIOR THEATRE CELEBRATION

## CELEBRATING AND SUPPORTING ARTS IN ELEMENTARY TO MIDDLE SCHOOLS

What do the Cat in the Hat, little orphan Annie, and Nemo have in common? They were some of many colorful characters portrayed by talented elementary and middle school students, that took to Shea's 710's stage during this year's Junior Theatre Celebration!

Once again, Shea's Performing Arts Center and iTheatrics collaborated to create the ultimate celebration of theatre for upper elementary and middle school students. iTheatrics is the premiere creative consultant in educational musical theatre, based in New York City. They adapt Broadway musicals for young people, creating the popular "Junior" and "Kids" series of shows. This allows elementary to middle school students to perform material from beloved musicals at an age-appropriate level.

This year, the celebration was held over two days on June 6th and 7th. Along with performing a number from their school or organization's musical, students and teachers were engaged in workshops hosted by the iTheatrics team. The celebration allowed students to share their hard work with other avid theatre-lovers their age in the Buffalo community.



Congratulations to all the schools and students involved in this year's celebration. We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to this year's Junior Theatre Awards sponsors, iTheatrics, Nardin Academy, Resource Council of WNY, and Mr. & Mrs. James Eagan.

[Click here](#) for information on our other exciting educational opportunities!

## 2024 TONY AWARD WINNERS

Every year, avid Broadway fans look forward to the "biggest night on Broadway" - the Tony Awards! This year, the 77th Annual Tony Awards ceremony took place on June 16th, 2024. Check out some of the winners below!

**BEST PLAY**  
STEREOPHONIC

**BEST MUSICAL**  
THE OUTSIDERS

**BEST BOOK OF A MUSICAL**  
SHAINA TAUB  
SUFFS

**BEST ORIGINAL SCORE (MUSIC AND/OR LYRICS) WRITTEN FOR THE THEATRE**  
SHAINA TAUB  
SUFFS

**BEST REVIVAL OF A PLAY**  
APPROPRIATE

**BEST REVIVAL OF A MUSICAL**  
MERRILY WE ROLL ALONG

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE IN A PLAY**  
JEREMY STRONG  
AN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE IN A PLAY**  
SARAH PAULSON  
APPROPRIATE

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE IN A MUSICAL**  
JONATHAN GROFF  
MERRILY WE ROLL ALONG

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE IN A MUSICAL**  
MALEAH JOI MOON  
HELL'S KITCHEN

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTOR IN A FEATURED ROLE IN A PLAY**  
WILL BRILL  
STEREOPHONIC

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTRESS IN A FEATURED ROLE IN A PLAY**  
KARA YOUNG  
PURLIE VICTORIOUS: A NON-CONFEDERATE ROMP THROUGH THE COTTON PATCH



# A LOOK BACK IN RESTORATION HISTORY

## TAKE A LOOK AT OUR PAST RESTORATION PROJECTS.

This month, we'd like to look back at one of the most impressive restoration projects completed at Shea's Buffalo. In 2004, talented artists and technicians set to work to restore our beautiful, 18 foot, terra cotta pediment façade above our Main Street entrance.

Famously, Shea's Buffalo opened a year and a day from its initial groundbreaking. Though there was a lot of fanfare around this impressive grand opening, this fast turn-around resulted in many problems with the theatre itself. In the rush to open, not all the work was completed properly, making these components decline significantly within the first few years of its opening. Less than five years after it was constructed, severe deterioration had occurred on the terra cotta façade. Wind blowing on the back of the heavy terra cotta caused it to weather to a dangerous point. The original, heavy, pediment was finally removed from the building in 1936 due to public safety issues.



Photo by Dennis C. Enser of The Buffalo News, in Wednesday, Aug 18, 2004 Edition.

Leo Lysy's work helped to restore the pediment to the roofline façade.

In 2004, in order to restore the theatre to its opening day look, the façade was re-installed. With the enlisted help of Buffalo Plastering, the façade pediment was recreated out of a lighter, glass fiber reinforced concrete. This concrete was also made to mimic the original terra cotta. Sculptor Leo Lysy from Buffalo Plastering painstakingly recreated the baroque details on the pediment from photographs of the original.

To address the issue of wind erosion on the façade, a wind barrier was created behind the pediment. The built in slopes of the barrier forces any wind to go up and over the structure rather than blowing right against it.



The wind barrier today, located on the roof of Shea's Buffalo!

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTOR IN A FEATURED ROLE IN A MUSICAL**  
DANIEL RADCLIFFE  
MERRILY WE ROLL ALONG

**BEST PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTRESS IN A FEATURED ROLE IN A MUSICAL**  
KECIA LEWIS  
HELL'S KITCHEN

**BEST SCENIC DESIGN OF A PLAY**  
DAVID ZINN  
STEREOPHONIC

**BEST SCENIC DESIGN OF A MUSICAL**  
TOM SCUTT  
CABARET AT THE KIT KAT CLUB

**BEST COSTUME DESIGN OF A PLAY**  
DEDE AYITE  
JAJA'S AFRICAN HAIR BRAIDING

**BEST COSTUME DESIGN OF A MUSICAL**  
LINDA CHO  
THE GREAT GATSBY

**BEST LIGHTING DESIGN OF A PLAY**  
JANE COX  
APPROPRIATE

**BEST LIGHTING DESIGN OF A MUSICAL**  
BRIAN MACDEVITT AND HANA S. KIM  
THE OUTSIDERS

**BEST SOUND DESIGN OF A PLAY**  
RYAN RUMERY  
STEREOPHONIC

**BEST SOUND DESIGN OF A MUSICAL**  
CODY SPENCER  
THE OUTSIDERS

**BEST DIRECTION OF A PLAY**  
DANIEL AUKIN  
STEREOPHONIC

**BEST DIRECTION OF A MUSICAL**  
DANYA TAYMOR  
THE OUTSIDERS

**BEST CHOREOGRAPHY**  
JUSTIN PECK  
ILLINOISE

**BEST ORCHESTRATIONS**  
JONATHAN TUNICK  
MERRILY WE ROLL ALONG

**SPECIAL TONY AWARD FOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT IN THE THEATRE**  
JACK O'BRIEN  
GEORGE C. WOLFE



During this facade work, other exterior work was done to the Main Street side of Shea's Buffalo. Some may not know that the famous Shea's Blade Sign was missing from the building's exterior for decades, having been removed from the building around 1942. At the time, the 1,100 lightbulbs in the sign were deemed too costly and frankly too dangerous to replace. During the late '50s, it was replaced with a neon sign, which was ultimately removed sometime in between 1954 and 1958.

Though the original was long gone, a replica was reinstalled during this 2004 project. The blade sign, the one still attached to the theatre today, is 65 feet tall, and 11,000 pounds. The new sign, which was built by Rochester-based company, Total Identity, was outfitted with the same, massive amount of lightbulbs. However, these bulbs are LED with a longer life expectancy.



Our current Blade Sign, a replica of the original, was installed over the course of Aug 2-10, 2004.

Other projects done to the exterior of the building that summer included; adding a replica of the 26-foot-long "Wonder Theatre" sign to the top of the Main Street entrance, returning two rows of lights outlining the grand, curved window above the marquee back to operating condition for the first time since the '40s, as well as cleaning, repairing, or replacing all of the terra cotta on the face of the building before properly sealing it.

This extensive work helped to transport the theatre back to its original glory. To celebrate this restoration, a public relighting ceremony was held on Sept 7, 2004, marking the first time in over 50

years the signs, marquee, and grand window were lit together.

This summer marks the 20th anniversary of this extensive restoration project. Check out the images below to see the hard work that was put into making Shea's Buffalo shine 20 years later.



## THEATRE NEWS

**Damson Chola Jr. and Gretchen Shope Win at 2024 Jimmy Awards.**

**Additional Casting Announced For ONCE UPON A MATTRESS Revival.**

**Music Theatre International Acquires Licensing Rights For ONCE UPON A ONE MORE TIME**

**THE WHO'S TOMMY Broadway Revival Sets Closing Date for July 21.**

**BOOP! THE BETTY BOOP MUSICAL To Open On Broadway in April 2025.**

**Two-Time Tony Nominee, Christian Borle Replaces Andrew Rannells in Broadway Transfer of TAMMY FAYE.**

**Bartlett Sher to direct Broadway-bound show, HELLO, I'M DOLLY, inspired by the life of music icon Dolly Parton.**

**Appeals Court Rejects Broadway Producer, Garth Drabinsky's Antitrust Claim Against Actors' and Stage Managers' Union.**

**WICKED Film Moves Up Release Date to Nov 22.**

**Broadway's SUFFS Disrupted by Protesters.**

**Donna Murphy, Stephen McKinley Henderson, William Finn and More Among 2024 Theater Hall of Fame Inductees.**

**Seven Weeks of Free, Live Performances Are Set For NYC's Little Island Glade Series.**

**Olivia Bellido Wins 2024 Stephen Schwartz Musical Theatre Teacher of the Year Award.**

**Layoffs Hit Playwrights Horizons, Off-Broadway Birthplace of Broadway Hit, STEREOPHONIC**

**Casey York Joins Playwrights Horizons as Managing Director.**



# SEASON SPOTLIGHT

## LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SHOWS IN THE 2024-25 FIVE STAR BANK BROADWAY SEASON AND THE 2024-25 GALLAGHER BROADWAY SPECIAL ENGAGEMENTS

Last issue we highlighted *SHUCKED* and *A BEAUTIFUL NOISE: THE NEIL DIAMOND MUSICAL*. This issue we will explore *BACK TO THE FUTURE: THE MUSICAL* and our Special Subscriber Add-On, *HAMILTON*.

## BACK TO THE FUTURE: THE MUSICAL

Opening Night on Broadway: August 3, 2023 at the Winter Garden Theatre

Book By: BOB GALE

Music and Lyrics By: ALAN SILVESTRI and GLEN BALLARD

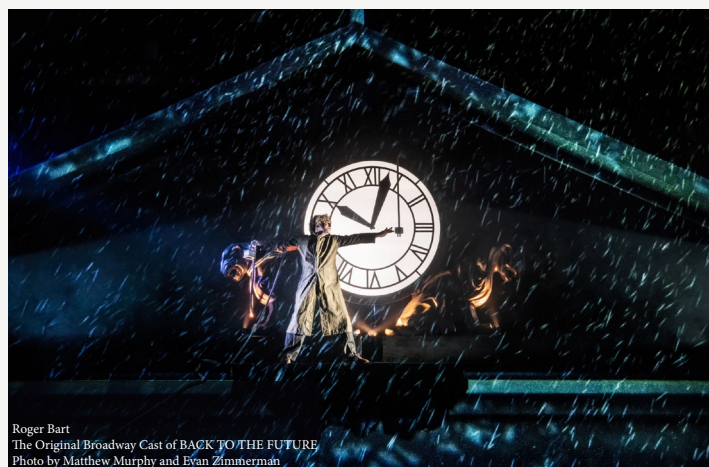
Great Scott! Back to the Future, the beloved, cinematic classic is now a Broadway musical with its destination set for Buffalo in 2025.

Winner of the 2022 Olivier Award for Best New Musical, four WhatsOnStage Awards, including Best New Musical, and the Broadway World Award for Best New Musical, *Back to the Future: The Musical* is adapted for the stage by the iconic film's creators Bob Gale (*Back to the Future* trilogy) and Robert Zemeckis (*Forrest Gump*) and directed by the Tony Award®-winner John Rando with original music by multi-Grammy® winners Alan Silvestri (*Avengers: Endgame*) and Glen Ballard (*Michael Jackson's "Man in the Mirror"*), alongside hit songs from the movie including "The Power of Love," "Johnny B. Goode," "Earth Angel," and "Back in Time."

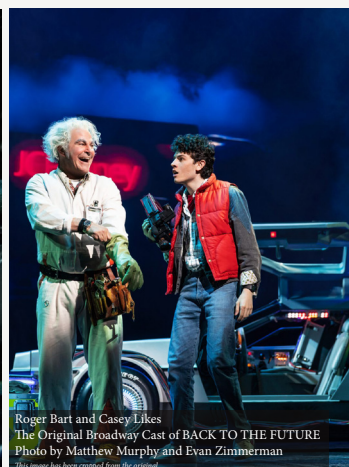
When Marty McFly finds himself transported back to 1955 in a time machine built by the eccentric scientist Doc Brown, he accidentally changes the course of history. Now he's in a race against time to fix the present, escape the past, and send himself... back to the future.

"SPECTACULAR! I WILL DEFINITELY SEE IT AGAIN." – Michael J. Fox

"AMAZING ON EVERY LEVEL!" – Christopher Lloyd



Roger Bart  
The Original Broadway Cast of BACK TO THE FUTURE  
Photo by Matthew Murphy and Evan Zimmerman



Roger Bart and Casey Likes  
The Original Broadway Cast of BACK TO THE FUTURE  
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Casey Likes and The Original Broadway Cast of BACK TO THE FUTURE  
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Jelani Remy and The Original Broadway Cast of BACK TO THE FUTURE  
Photo by Matthew Murphy and Evan Zimmerman

Arielle Jacobs, Teal Wicks, & More Will Perform Concert Version of MY PET DRAGON Musical.

**CATS: THE JELlicle BALL** Has Been Extended Through Aug 11.

**Broadway—Bound Musical STUDIO 54** Is In Development.

**Ian McKellen Withdraws From U.K. Tour of Shakespeare's HENRY IV** After Falling Off Theater Stage.

**Stephanie Mills Delays Debut in Broadway's HADESTOWN** Due to Illness.

**Evan Cabnet Named New Artistic Director of Second Stage Theater, Succeeding Current Artistic Director and Co-Founder, Carole Rothman.**

**Grant Gustin Announces Departure Date From Broadway's WATER FOR ELEPHANTS.**

**Eric William Morris and Noah Weisberg to Star as Ross Cellino and Steve Barnes, Respectively, In CELLINO V. BARNES Off-Broadway.**

**Leslye Headland's CULT OF LOVE** To Make Broadway Bow This Fall.

**Disney's HERCULES Musical** To Make Premiere in London's West End.

**Aaron Tveit and Joanna "JoJo" Levesque to Return To MOULIN ROUGE!** Beginning July 23.

**The ANNIE National Tour Will Switch to Equity Status and Play Madison Square Garden Over The Holiday Season.**

**Broadway League Welcomes Darrelle Johnson as Director of Diversity and Inclusion.**

**Amber Gray, Jessica Hecht, Bill Irwin and More Will Lead EUREKA DAY** On Broadway.

**LEFT ON TENTH** Will Open at the James Earl Jones Theatre in October.

**MTI Releases Licensing Rights to JUNIE B.'S ESSENTIAL SURVIVAL GUIDE TO SCHOOL JR.**



# HAMILTON

Opening Night on Broadway: August 6, 2015 at the Richard Rodgers Theatre

Book By: LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA

Music and Lyrics By: LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA

A revolutionary story of passion, unstoppable ambition, and the dawn of a new nation.

HAMILTON is the epic saga that follows the rise of Founding Father Alexander Hamilton as he fights for honor, love, and a legacy that would shape the course of a nation. Based on Ron Chernow's acclaimed biography and set to a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, R&B, and Broadway, HAMILTON has had a profound impact on culture, politics, and education. HAMILTON features book, music, and lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda, direction by Thomas Kail, choreography by Andy Blankenbuehler, and musical supervision and orchestrations by Alex Lacamoire. In addition to its 11 Tony Awards, it has won Grammy®, Olivier Awards, the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, and an unprecedented special citation from the Kennedy Center Honors.



Company of the HAMILTON National Tour  
Photo by Joan Marcus



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## GET TO KNOW THE MUSICALS & PLAYS ON BROADWAY

### THE NOTEBOOK Schoenfeld Theatre

Allie and Noah, both from different worlds, share a lifetime of love despite the forces that threaten to pull them apart. With a book that has sold millions of copies worldwide and a film that's one of the highest-grossing romantic dramas of all time, the musical adaptation of Nicholas Sparks's *The Notebook* comes to Broadway following a critically acclaimed world premiere engagement at Chicago Shakespeare Theater in the fall of 2022.

### OH, MARY!

#### Lyceum Theatre

*Oh, Mary!* is a dark comedy starring Cole Escola as a miserable, suffocated Mary Todd Lincoln in the weeks leading up to Abraham Lincoln's assassination. Unrequited yearning, alcoholism and suppressed desires abound in this one act play that finally examines the forgotten life and dreams of Mrs. Lincoln through the lens of an idiot (Cole Escola).

### ONCE UPON A MATTRESS

#### Hudson Theatre

*Once Upon a Mattress* – the iconic musical comedy that's forever woven into the tapestry of theatre history and probably being performed at your local high school right now – is back on Broadway for the first time since 1996. Two-time Tony® winner Sutton Foster stars as Princess Winnifred the Woebegone alongside royalty of stage and screen, Michael Urie.

Direct from its sold-out New York City Center Encores! run and newly adapted by Amy Sherman-Palladino (*The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*), *Once Upon a Mattress* sets Winnifred, an unapologetic free spirit, loose in a repressed kingdom, where she charms, delights, and dances her way to the top... of a stack of mattresses.

Don't miss this uproarious production of the show every theater kid knows like the back of their pillow!

### THE GREAT GATSBY Broadway Theatre

The party's roaring on Broadway! Starring Jeremy Jordan (*Newsies*) as Jay Gatsby and Eva Noblezada (*Hadestown*) as Daisy Buchanan,

## SOME EXCITING FUNDRAISERS COMING UP!

### SHEA'S YOUNG PROFESSIONALS ARE TAKING THE LEAD

The Shea's Young Professionals are a group of dedicated volunteers who support Shea's in various ways, including developing their own fundraising events, assisting with social media engagement during shows, and everything in between. They are currently spearheading some exciting returning events. Learn more below!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR GIVE 716 TO SUPPORT RESTORATION

Give 716 is a collaborative effort between the Buffalo Bills Foundation and the Buffalo Sabres Foundation. The goal of Give 716 is simple, to unite Bills and Sabres fans with the Western New York community in an epic giving event!

This year, the event will take place between July 15th at 7:16pm and July 16th at 11:59pm complete with power hours, matching gifts, and other prizes. Watch our social media pages and support Shea's restoration efforts by donating to us on the **Shea's Charity Page at Give 716** during the event!



### THE 2ND ANNUAL YOGA ON THE STAGE

On July 24th at 6:00PM participate in a unique experience to take a one-hour, all-levels vinyasa yoga class led by Courtney Boland from Power Yoga Buffalo on the Shea's Buffalo stage under the lights to Broadway music.



Enjoy a complimentary beer or wine post class and snap some photos from the stage! Anyone who adds a donation onto their ticket purchase will be entered to win a prize the night of the event. **CLICK HERE** to get tickets!

### BECOME A VENDOR AT THE SHEA'S SHOPPING SOIREE

This year's Shea's Shopping Soiree will take place on November 7th and although it is too early to obtain event tickets, the Shea's Young Professionals are currently looking for vendors for the event!

Interested in becoming a vendor?

Email our Shea's Young Professionals at: [SheasYPPProgram@sheas.org](mailto:SheasYPPProgram@sheas.org)

The Shea's Shopping Soiree takes place at Shea's Buffalo Theatre in the lobbies and on stage. Reach out to become a vendor or save the date and watch for when tickets go on sale.



THE GREAT GATSBY is a "great, big Broadway extravaganza that explodes with life and energy" (Entertainment Weekly). Directed by Marc Bruni (Beautiful: The Carole King Musical), this story of extravagance and longing features choreography by Dominique Kelley (So You Think You Can Dance), a book by Kait Kerrigan (The Mad Ones) and a jazz- and pop-influenced original score by Jason Howland (Little Women) and Nathan Tysen (Paradise Square).

THE GREAT GATSBY is produced by Chunsoo Shin, acclaimed Korean musical producer, 5-time winner of Korea's most prestigious theatrical award and OD Company president.

### THE ROOMMATE Booth Theatre

Sharon's never had a roommate before. In fact, there's a lot Sharon's never done before, but Robyn's about to change all that. Jen Silverman's *The Roommate* shatters expectations with its witty and profound portrait of a blossoming intimacy between two women from vastly different backgrounds, as they navigate the complexities of identity, morality, and the promise of reinvention. Being bad never felt so good as it does in this riveting one-act about second acts.



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