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WICKED TO RETURN TO SHEA'S BUFFALO THEATRE TICKETS ON SALE SEPTEMBER 5



BY STEPHEN SCHWARTZ AND WINNIE HOLZMAN BASED ON THE NOVEL BY GREGORY MAGUIRE

Shea's Performing Arts Center and Broadway presenting partner Albert Nocciolino announce **WICKED** will return to Shea's Buffalo Theatre for 24 performances from November 12 – 30, 2025. Tickets for the return engagement of WICKED, part of the Five Star Bank 2025-2026 Broadway Season, go on sale to the public at **10:00AM on Friday, September 5, 2025**.

To purchase tickets visit Shea's Box Office at 650 Main Street in Downtown Buffalo or go to www.sheas.org. Groups requesting 10 or more tickets can contact Mary Oshei at 716-829-1153 or moshei@sheas.org.

Currently the 4th longest-running show in Broadway history, **WICKED** is currently in its 22nd year on Broadway. This marks the fifth return of **WICKED** to the Shea's Buffalo Theatre stage.

Winner of over 100 international awards including the Grammy Award and three Tony Awards, **WICKED** has been performed in over 100 cities in 16 countries around the world (U.S., Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Japan, Germany, Holland, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, South Korea, The Philippines, Mexico, Brazil, Switzerland and China) and has thus far been translated into six languages: Japanese, German, Dutch, Spanish, Korean and Portuguese. **WICKED** has been seen by over 70 million people worldwide and has over \$6 billion in global sales.

The Broadway sensation **WICKED** looks at what happened in the Land of Oz...but from a different angle. Long before Dorothy arrives, there is another young woman, born with emerald-green skin, who is smart, fiery, misunderstood, and possessing an extraordinary talent. When she meets a bubbly blonde who is exceptionally popular, their initial rivalry turns into the unlikeliest of friendships...until the world decides to call one "good," and the other one "wicked."

Wicked has been hailed by *The New York Times* as "the defining musical of the decade," and by *Time Magazine* as "a magical Broadway musical with brains, heart, and courage." NBC Nightly News calls the hit musical "the most successful Broadway show ever."

Based on the novel by Gregory Maguire, **WICKED** has music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, and a book by Winnie Holzman. The production is directed by Tony Award winner Joe Mantello with musical staging by Tony Award winner Wayne Cilento. **WICKED** is produced by Marc Platt, Universal Stage Productions, The Araca Group, Jon B. Platt and David Stone.

The blockbuster film version of **WICKED** opened on November 22nd, 2024, and has become the highest grossing film based on a Broadway musical in history. **WICKED: FOR GOOD**, Part 2 in the film series, is set for release this November.

For more information about **WICKED**, please visit <u>www.WickedTheMusical.com</u>.

Follow **WICKED** on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>TikTok</u>.

*As a note to all calendar listing editors, the title of the show is **WICKED** (not **WICKED**: **A**New Musical or **WICKED**, the untold true story of the witches of Oz).

Additional Resources:

B-roll: Wicked 2 Minute Trailer 2018 (3).mov

Photos:

Zoe Jensen as Glinda and Jessie Davidson as Elphaba in the National Tour of WICKED, photo by Joan Marcus (0062r) (1).jpg

The National Tour of WICKED, photo by Joan Marcus (0522r).jpg

Ethan Kirschbaum as Fiyero and Jessie Davidson as Elphaba in the National Tour of WICKED, photo by Joan Marcus (0429r).jpg

Zoe Jensen as Glinda (center) and the National Touring Company of WICKED, photo by Joan Marcus (0510r).jpg