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SING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH *BROADWAY HOLIDAY*

Special Holiday Engagement in the Gil Cates Theater Dec 17, 2010 - Jan 2, 2011

“Show of Hands for Show Tunes” Contest Allows Patrons to Choose Songs Performed

LOS ANGELES, Oct 8, 2010 — This winter, the Geffen Playhouse is doing its part to spread contagious holiday cheer by presenting Neil Berg’s critically acclaimed musical revue *Broadway Holiday*. Direct from New York, Broadway alumni **Marc Kudisch** (*9 to 5, Thoroughly Modern Millie, Assassins*), **Rob Evan** (*Les Miserables, Jekyll and Hyde*), **Rita Harvey** (*Phantom of the Opera, Fiddler on the Roof*), **Carter Calvert** (*It Ain’t Nothin’ But the Blues, CATS*) and **Ron Bohmer** (*Ragtime, Phantom of The Opera, Sunset Boulevard*), along with musical director **Neil Berg** and a three piece band, will take audiences on a journey through Broadway history with the music of Kander & Ebb, Rodgers & Hammerstein, Lerner & Loewe, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Leonard Bernstein, Stephen Sondheim, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and many more. *Broadway Holiday* begins performances on December 17, 2010 and has a three week run ending on January 2, 2011.

Neil Berg’s *Broadway Holiday* features hits ranging from classic shows such as *My Fair Lady* and *South Pacific*, through ground breakers like *West Side Story* and *Chicago*, to current blockbusters like *Jersey Boys*, and *Wicked*. The show will also feature much loved holiday tunes, and – just to ensure the evening includes the true audience favorites – patrons will have a chance to vote on the song selection with “Show of Hands for Show Tunes.” Through this online contest, the Geffen Playhouse will be taking votes from the public to choose one holiday song and one Broadway standard to be added to the program of the show. The song choices are:

HOLIDAY:

White Christmas	<i>White Christmas and Holiday Inn</i>	Irving Berlin
We Need A Little Christmas	<i>Mame</i>	Jerry Herman
It’s Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas	<i>Here’s Love</i>	Meredith Wilson
Have Yourself a Very Merry Christmas	<i>Meet Me in St. Louis</i>	Martin and Blane
I’ll Be Home For Christmas		James Gannon
Santa Claus is Coming to Town		Bruce Spingsteen
You’re a mean one, Mr. Grinch	<i>The Grinch Who Stole Christmas</i>	Theodor Geisel and Albert Hague

BROADWAY:

Don’t Rain on My Parade	<i>Funny Girl</i>	Jule Styne
Cabaret	<i>Cabaret</i>	Kander and Ebb
Think Of Me	<i>Phantom of the Opera</i>	Andrew Lloyd Webber
I Could have Danced All Night	<i>My Fair Lady</i>	Lerner and Loewe
Somewhere Over The Rainbow	<i>The Wizard of Oz</i>	Arlen and Harburg
Some Enchanted Evening	<i>South Pacific</i>	Rodgers and Hammerstein
All That Jazz	<i>Chicago</i>	Kander and Ebb
Man of La Mancha	<i>Man of La Mancha</i>	Darion and Leigh

Audiences can vote on the Geffen Playhouse website at www.geffenplayhouse.com/broadwayholiday, and will also have the opportunity to write in their own suggestions. Voting for "Show of Hands for Show Tunes" begins on November 2 and winners will be announced online on Dec 8.

BROADWAY HOLIDAY

Created by Neil Berg

Beginning: December 17, 2010

Closing: January 2, 2011

CAST*

Ron Bohmer

Carter Calvert

Rob Evan

Rita Harvery

Marc Kudisch

* Artists subject to change

SCHEDULE

Week 1: December 17 - 19

Fri, Dec 17 8pm

Sat, Dec 18 3pm and 8pm

Sun, Dec 19 2pm and 7pm

Week 2: December 21 - 26

Tues, Dec 21 8pm

Wed, Dec 22 8pm

Thurs, Dec 23 3pm and 8pm

Fri, Dec 24 3pm and 8pm

Sat, Dec 25 No performances

Sun, Dec 26 2pm and 7pm

Week 3: December 28 – January 2

Tues, Dec 28 8pm

Wed, Dec 29 8pm

Thurs, Dec 30 3 pm and 8pm

Fri, Dec 31 7pm and 9:30pm (special New Year's Eve show)

Sat, Jan 1 No performances

Sun, Jan 2 2pm and 7pm

TICKET INFO

Ticket prices range from from \$65 - \$75. Tickets are on sale now at the Geffen Playhouse box office, online at www.geffenplayhouse.com or via credit card phone order at (310) 208-5454.

ABOUT GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE

The **Geffen Playhouse** has been a hub of the Los Angeles theater scene since opening its doors in 1995. Noted for its intimacy and celebrated for its world-renowned mix of classic and contemporary plays, provocative new works and musicals, the Geffen Playhouse continues to present a body of work that has garnered national recognition. Named in honor of entertainment mogul and philanthropist David Geffen, who made the initial donation to the theater, the company is helmed by Producing Director and President of the Board Gilbert Cates, Artistic Director Randall Arney, Managing Director Ken Novice and Chairman of the Board Frank Mancuso. Proudly associated with UCLA, the Geffen Playhouse welcomes an audience of more than 130,000 each year, and maintains an extensive education and outreach program, designed to engage young people and the community at large in the arts. For more information, please visit geffenplayhouse.com.

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