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**Tony, Grammy, and Olivier Award-Winning Best Musical**

# **JERSEY BOYS**

The story of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons

**DIRECTED BY DES McANUFF**

## **TO MAKE COLUMBUS PREMIERE AT THE OHIO THEATRE AUGUST 17-SEPTEMBER 4**

The Tony, Grammy, and Olivier Award-winning hit musical **JERSEY BOYS**, the story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, is coming to the Ohio Theatre. The musical will make its Columbus premiere on August 17 and play through September 4.

**JERSEY BOYS** is the winner of the 2006 Best Musical Tony Award®, the 2006 Grammy Award® for Best Musical Show Album, the 2009 Olivier Award for Best New Musical, and the 2010 Helpmann Award for Best Musical (Australia).

Directed by two-time Tony® Award-winner **Des McAnuff**, **JERSEY BOYS** is written by Academy Award-winner **Marshall Brickman** and **Rick Elice**, with music by **Bob Gaudio**, lyrics by **Bob Crewe**, and choreography by **Sergio Trujillo**.

**JERSEY BOYS** is part of the Fifth Third Bank Broadway Series presented by Broadway Across America and CAPA.

**JERSEY BOYS** is the story of **Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons**—Frankie Valli, Bob Gaudio, Tommy DeVito, and Nick Massi—and how this group of blue-collar boys from the wrong side of the tracks became one of the biggest American pop music sensations of all time. They wrote their own songs, invented their own sounds, and sold 175 million records worldwide—all before they were 30.

**JERSEY BOYS** opened at the August Wilson Theatre on Broadway to critical acclaim on November 6, 2005. The **JERSEY BOYS** national tour opened to rave reviews in San Francisco on December 1, 2006, played a record-breaking run in Los Angeles, and is still breaking house records in cities across North America. There are five current productions of **JERSEY BOYS**—

New York, London, Las Vegas, Sydney, Australia, and a US national tour. As of April 24, 2011, **JERSEY BOYS** worldwide has grossed over \$1.1 billion dollars and been seen by approximately 12.5 million people.

The **JERSEY BOYS** design and production team comprises **Klara Zieglerova** (scenic design), **Jess Goldstein** (costume design), **Howell Binkley** (winner of the 2006 Tony<sup>®</sup> Award for his lighting design of **JERSEY BOYS**), **Steve Canyon Kennedy** (sound design), **Michael Clark** (projections design), **Charles LaPointe** (wig and hair design), **Steve Orich** (orchestrations), and **Ron Melrose** (music direction, vocal arrangements, and incidental music).

**JERSEY BOYS** is produced by **Dodger Theatricals, Joseph J. Grano, Tamara and Kevin Kinsella, Pelican Group**, with **Latitude Link and Rick Steiner**.

Tickets for **JERSEY BOYS** begin at \$25 and are available at the Ohio Theatre Box Office (39 E. State St.), all Ticketmaster outlets, and [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com). To purchase by phone, please call (614) 469-0939 or (800) 745-3000. Orders for groups of 20 or more may be placed by calling (614) 719-6900. Performance schedule, prices, and cast are subject to change without notice.

The performance schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, August 17, 8pm  
Thursday, August 18, 2pm & 8pm  
Friday, August 19, 8pm  
Saturday, August 20, 2pm & 8pm  
Sunday, August 21, 1pm & 6:30pm  
Tuesday, August 23, 8pm  
Wednesday, August 24, 8pm  
Thursday, August 25, 8pm  
Friday, August 26, 8pm  
Saturday, August 27, 2pm & 8pm  
Sunday, August 28, 1pm & 6:30pm  
Tuesday, August 30, 8pm  
Wednesday, August 31, 8pm  
Thursday, September 1, 8pm  
Friday, September 2, 8pm  
Saturday, September 3, 2pm & 8pm  
Sunday, September 4, 1pm & 6:30pm

The Original Broadway Cast Recording of **JERSEY BOYS**, produced by Bob Gaudio, was recently certified Platinum by the Recording Industry Association of America. The cast recording is now available on Rhino Records. **JERSEY BOYS: The Story of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons** (Broadway Books) is the official handbook to the smash Broadway hit.

For more information on **JERSEY BOYS**, go to [www.JerseyBoysTour.com](http://www.JerseyBoysTour.com) or [www.capa.com](http://www.capa.com).

Catch a sneak peek of Jersey Boys! Log on to [www.JerseyBoysTour.com/watch](http://www.JerseyBoysTour.com/watch).

### **CALENDAR LISTING**

**CAPA and Broadway Across America present JERSEY BOYS**  
**August 17 – September 4**

### **Ohio Theatre (39 E. State St.)**

“Too good to be true!” raves the *New York Post* for *Jersey Boys*, the 2006 Tony® Award-winning Best Musical about Rock and Roll Hall of Famers The Four Seasons—Frankie Valli, Bob Gaudio, Tommy DeVito, and Nick Massi. This is the story of how four blue-collar kids became one of the greatest successes in pop music history. They wrote their own songs, invented their own sounds, and sold 175 million records worldwide—all before they were 30! *Jersey Boys*, winner of the 2006 Grammy® Award for Best Musical Show Album, and most recently, the 2009 Olivier Award for Best New Musical, features their hit songs “Sherry,” “Big Girls Don’t Cry,” “Rag Doll,” “Oh, What a Night,” and “Can’t Take My Eyes Off of You.” “It will run for centuries!” proclaims *Time Magazine*. Tickets start at \$25 and can be purchased at the Ohio Theatre Ticket Office (39 E. State St.), all Ticketmaster outlets, and [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com). To purchase by phone, please call (614) 469-0939 or (800) 745-3000. [www.capa.com](http://www.capa.com)

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#### **About CAPA**

Owner/operator of downtown Columbus’ magnificent historic theatres (Ohio Theatre, Palace Theatre, Southern Theatre) and manager of the Riffe Center Theatre Complex, Lincoln Theatre, and the Shubert Theater (New Haven, CT), CAPA is a non-profit, award-winning presenter of national and international performing arts and entertainment. For more information, visit [www.capa.com](http://www.capa.com).

#### **About Broadway Across America**

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