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***HAMILTON* AND DISNEY'S *ALADDIN* TO ANCHOR 2018-19 PNC BROADWAY IN COLUMBUS SEASON**

**Lineup also features the Tony®-Winning Best Musical Revival
HELLO, DOLLY! starring Broadway legend Betty Buckley**

The Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA) and Broadway in Columbus (BIC) are proud to announce the Broadway musical *HAMILTON* will play its premiere Columbus engagement to anchor the 2018-19 PNC Broadway in Columbus season. The six-show season, supported in part by PNC, offers four productions never before seen in Columbus including a two-week engagement of Disney's *Aladdin*, *The Play That Goes Wrong*, *Finding Neverland*, and of course, *HAMILTON*. The season also includes the 2017 Tony®-winning Best Musical Revival *Hello, Dolly!* starring Broadway legend Betty Buckley as Dolly Gallagher Levi, and the 20th anniversary touring production of *RENT*.

Subscriptions for the 2018-19 PNC Broadway in Columbus season go on sale today and include:

Disney's *ALADDIN*

October 24-November 4, 2018

Ohio Theatre (39 E. State St.)

Discover a whole new world at Disney's *ALADDIN*, the hit Broadway musical. From the producer of *The Lion King* comes the timeless story of Aladdin, a thrilling new production filled with unforgettable beauty, magic, comedy, and breathtaking spectacle. It's an extraordinary theatrical event where one lamp and three wishes make the possibilities infinite. See why audiences and critics agree, *ALADDIN* is "Exactly What You Wish For!" (NBC-TV).

AladdinTheMusical.com/tour

HAMILTON

January 29-February 17, 2019

Ohio Theatre (39 E. State St.)

HAMILTON is the story of America's Founding Father Alexander Hamilton, an immigrant from the West Indies who became George Washington's right-hand man during the Revolutionary War and was the new nation's first Treasury Secretary. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B, and Broadway, *HAMILTON* is the story of America then, as told by America now. www.HamiltonMusical.com

RENT 20th ANNIVERSARY TOUR

March 19-24, 2019

Palace Theatre (34 W. Broad St.)

In 1996, an original rock musical by a little-known composer opened on Broadway... and forever changed the landscape of American theatre. Two decades later, Jonathan Larson's *RENT* continues to speak loudly and defiantly to audiences across generations and all over the world. And now, this Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award®-winning masterpiece returns to the stage in a vibrant 20th anniversary touring production. A re-imagining of Puccini's *La Bohème*, *RENT* follows an unforgettable year in the lives of seven artists struggling to follow their dreams without selling out. With its inspiring message of joy and hope in the face of fear, this timeless celebration of friendship and creativity reminds us to measure our lives with the only thing that truly matters—love.

THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

April 9-14, 2019

Palace Theatre (34 W. Broad St.)

What would happen if Sherlock Holmes and Monty Python had an illegitimate Broadway baby? You'd get *The Play That Goes Wrong*, Broadway and London's award-winning smash comedy! Called "A gut-busting hit" (*The New York Times*) and "The funniest play Broadway has ever seen" (*HuffPost*), this classic murder mystery is chock-full of mishaps and madcap mania delivering "A riotous explosion of comedy" (*Daily Beast*). Welcome to opening night of *The Murder at Haversham Manor* where things are quickly going from bad to utterly disastrous. With an unconscious leading lady, a corpse that can't play dead, and actors who trip over everything (including their lines), it's "Tons of fun for all ages" (*HuffPost*) and "Comic Gold" (*Variety*) – sure to bring down the house!

HELLO, DOLLY!

May 7-12, 2019

Ohio Theatre (39 E. State St.)

Tony Award-winning Broadway legend Betty Buckley stars in *Hello, Dolly!*, the universally acclaimed smash that NPR calls "the best show of the year!" Winner of four Tony Awards including Best Musical Revival, director Jerry Zaks' "gorgeous" new production (*Vogue*) is "making people crazy happy!" (*The Washington Post*). Breaking box office records week after week and receiving thunderous raves on Broadway, this *Hello, Dolly!* pays tribute to the original work of legendary director/choreographer Gower Champion—hailed both then and now as one of the greatest stagings in musical theater history. *Rolling Stone* calls it "a must-see event. A musical comedy dream. If you're lucky enough to score a ticket, you'll be seeing something historic. Wow, wow, wow indeed!"

FINDING NEVERLAND

June 4-9, 2019

Ohio Theatre (39 E. State St.)

The winner of Broadway.com's Audience Choice Award for Best Musical, this breathtaking smash "captures the kid-at-heart," says *TIME Magazine*. *Vogue* cheers, "It's a must-see you'll remember for years to come!" Directed by visionary Tony®-winner Diane Paulus and based on the critically-acclaimed Academy Award®-winning film, *Finding Neverland* tells the incredible

story behind one of the world's most beloved characters—Peter Pan. Playwright J.M. Barrie struggles to find inspiration until he meets four young brothers and their beautiful widowed mother. Spellbound by the boys' enchanting make-believe adventures, he sets out to write a play that will astound London theatergoers. With a little bit of pixie dust and a lot of faith, Barrie takes this monumental leap, leaving his old world behind for Neverland, where nothing is impossible and the wonder of childhood lasts forever. The magic of Barrie's classic tale springs spectacularly to life in this heartwarming theatrical event. *Finding Neverland* is "far and away the best musical of the year!" (NPR).

Subscriptions range from \$215-\$750 per person and are on sale now at

www.BroadwayInColumbus.com, by phone at (800) 294-1892 (Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm), or in person at the CAPA Ticket Center (39 E. State St.). CAPA Ticket Center hours are Mondays-Fridays 9am-5pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm.

Six-Installment, Interest-Free Payment Plan Available

Subscriptions purchased by March 30, 2018, are eligible for a six-installment, interest-free payment plan. The first installment is charged the day the subscription is purchased with the next five installments being automatically charged to the same credit card on May 13, June 13, July 13, August 13, and September 13.

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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, Drexel Theatre (Bexley, OH), Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts (New Albany, OH), 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.

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