

## **Broadway Philadelphia 2015/2016 Season Overview**

### **SUBSCRIPTION SHOWS**

#### **Bullets Over Broadway**

##### **Academy of Music**

**October 27 – November 1, 2015**

- Musical written by and based upon the screenplay of the acclaimed film by Woody Allen
- Winner of three Outer Critics Circle Awards including: Best Actor, Actress, & Costumes
- Directed by multiple Tony Award winning Susan Stroman

Written by Woody Allen, with direction and choreography by Susan Stroman and based upon the screenplay of the acclaimed film by Woody Allen and Douglas McGrath, BULLETS OVER BROADWAY is the story of a young playwright who, in desperate need of financial backing for his next show, accepts an offer he can't refuse from a mobster looking to please his showgirl girlfriend.

#### **Matilda The Musical**

##### **Academy of Music**

**November 17 – 29, 2015**

- Subscribers attend week one of performances
- Nominated for 12 Tony Awards\* - Winning Best Book, Featured Actor, & both lighting and scenic design
- The four actors portraying Matilda received a Tony Honor for Excellence in the Theatre
- Based on the beloved novel by Roald Dahl

Winner of 50 international awards, including four Tony Awards\*, MATILDA THE MUSICAL is the story of an extraordinary girl who, armed with a vivid imagination and a sharp mind, dares to take a stand and change her own destiny.

Based on the beloved novel by Roald Dahl, MATILDA continues to thrill sold-out audiences of all ages on Broadway and in London's West End. The *Wall Street Journal* says, "The makers of MATILDA have done the impossible – triumphantly! It is smart, sweet, zany and stupendous fun."

#### **Pippin**

##### **Academy of Music**

**February 23 – 28, 2016**

- Winner of 4 Tony Awards\* including Best Revival
- Features sizzling choreography in the style of Bob Fosse
- Breathtaking acrobatics by Les 7 Doigts de la Main, the creative force behind the nationwide sensation Traces.

PIPPIN is Broadway's high-flying, death-defying hit musical! Full of extraordinary acrobatics, wondrous magical feats and soaring songs from the composer of *Wicked*, PIPPIN will lift you up and leave you smiling. This unforgettable new production is the winner of four 2013 Tony Awards\* including Best Musical Revival.

### **The Sound Of Music**

#### **Academy of Music**

**March 15 – 20, 2016**

- Directed by Jack O'Brien (Three-time Tony Award® winner, credits include: Hairspray, The Full Monty, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, The Coast of Utopia)
- The original Broadway production (1959) Won 5 Tony Awards® including Best Musical

THE HILLS ARE ALIVE! This brand new production of **THE SOUND OF MUSIC** is directed by Jack O'Brien. The spirited, romantic and beloved musical story of Maria and the Von Trapp Family will once again thrill audiences with its Tony®, Grammy® and Academy Award® winning Best Score, including "My Favorite Things," "Do-Re-Mi," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," "Edelweiss" and the title song.

### **Beautiful: The Carole King Musical**

#### **Academy of Music**

**March 22 – April 3, 2016**

- Subscribers attend week one of performances
- Winner of 4 Tony Awards® including Best Actress
- Featuring a stunning array of beloved songs including "I Feel The Earth Move," "One Fine Day," "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman," & "You've Got A Friend"

BEAUTIFUL – The Carole King Musical tells the Tony Award-winning inspiring true story of King's remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin, to her relationship with fellow writers and best friends Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann, to becoming one of the most successful solo acts in popular music history. Along the way, she made more than beautiful music, she wrote the soundtrack to a generation.

### **If/Then**

#### **Academy of Music**

**June 21 – 26, 2016**

- Nominated for 4 Tony Awards® including Best Score
- By the Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning creators of *Next to Normal*
- Idina Menzel WILL NOT be appearing in the touring production

*If/Then* is a contemporary Broadway musical about living in New York today – and all the possibilities of tomorrow. With unforgettable songs and a deeply moving story by the Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning creators of *Next to Normal*, this "fascinating, ambitious, and original new musical (*New York Post*)" simultaneously follows one woman's two possible life paths, painting a deeply moving portrait of the lives we lead, as well as the lives we might have led.

### **ADD-ON SHOWS**

#### **The Book Of Mormon**

##### **Forrest Theatre**

**November 24 – December 27, 2014**

- Returning after its record breaking run in the summer of 2014
- Contains explicit language.

This outrageous musical comedy follows the misadventures of a mismatched pair of missionaries, sent halfway across the world to spread the Good Word. Now with standing room only productions in London, on Broadway, and across North America, THE BOOK OF MORMON has truly become an international sensation.

### **Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer**

**Merriam Theater**

**December 15 - 20, 2015**

- Based off of the 1964 television classic of the same name
- Special just celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary

The beloved TV classic RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER soars off the screen and onto the stage this holiday season. Join us in celebrating Rudolph's 50 years on television and come see all of your favorite characters as they come to life in the all new RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER: THE MUSICAL. It's an adventure that teaches us that what makes you different can be what makes you special.

### **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat**

**Merriam Theater**

**December 29 – January 3, 2016**

- Directed by Tony Award-winner Andy Blankenbuehler
- Lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Andrew Lloyd Webber

One of the most enduring shows of all time, Tim Rice & Andrew Lloyd Webber's JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT is the irresistible family musical about the trials and triumphs of Joseph, Israel's favorite son. Directed and choreographed by Tony® Award-winner Andy Blankenbuehler, this new production is a reimagining of the Biblical story of Joseph, his eleven brothers and the coat of many colors. The magical musical is full of unforgettable songs, including Go Go Go Joseph, Any Dream Will Do and Close Every Door. Book your tickets and be part of the magic!

### **Beauty and The Beast**

**Academy of Music**

**February 16 – 21, 2016**

- Returning after successful run in the fall of 2013

Disney's BEAUTY AND THE BEAST is the classic story of Belle, a young woman in a provincial town, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped in a spell placed by an enchantress. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved, the curse will end and he will be transformed to his former self. But time is running out. If the Beast does not learn his lesson soon, he and his household will be doomed for all eternity.

### **Riverdance**

**Merriam Theater**

**June 14 – 19, 2015**

- Celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Coming directly from a sold out run across Europe and Asia.

Drawing on Irish traditions, the combined talents of the performers propel Irish dancing and music into the present day, capturing the imagination of audiences across all ages and cultures in an innovative and exciting blend of dance, music and song. Of all the performances to emerge from Ireland - in rock, music, theatre and film - nothing has carried the energy, the sensuality and the spectacle of Riverdance.