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The Tony Award®-Winning Best Musical



Moulin Rouge! The Musical

Based on the 20th Century Studios Motion Picture by Baz Luhrmann

Set to premiere in Madison Tuesday, July 9 – Sunday, July 21 at Overture Center

Madison, Wis. (Feb. 21, 2024) — The first North American tour of <u>Moulin Rouge! The Musical</u>, winner of **10 Tony Awards®** including **Best Musical**, will play in Madison at Overture Center. Performances begin Tuesday, July 9 and run through Sunday, July 21 in Overture Hall. Tickets go on sale to the public Friday, Feb. 23 at 11 a.m. at overture.org.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical will play Tuesdays through Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays (2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.) and Sundays (1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.). Beginning Friday, Feb. 23, tickets will be available at Overture's Box Office and online at <u>overture.org</u>. To charge tickets, call 608-258-4141 (Monday-Saturday, 11-6, Sunday 12-6). Orders for groups of 10 or more may be placed by emailing <u>groups@overture.org</u>.

ABOUT MOULIN ROUGE! THE MUSICAL

Moulin Rouge! The Musical is the winner of ten 2021 Tony Awards® including Best Musical, two Drama League Awards including Outstanding Production of a Musical, five Drama Desk Awards and 10 Outer Critics Circle Award Honor citations including New Broadway Musical.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical opened to critical acclaim at the Al Hirschfeld Theatre in the summer of 2019 and reopened in September 2021 following the shutdown of Broadway due to the pandemic.

"Spectacular! Euphoric! In *Moulin Rouge! The Musical*, life is beautiful," raves The New York Times. "*Moulin Rouge! The Musical* is a fabulous new musical. The high begins the instant you walk into the theatre," said the New York Post. Entertainment Weekly concludes that "it's easy to believe that *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* could run for 50 years."

Moulin Rouge! The Musical is directed by Tony Award® winner **Alex Timbers** and with a book by Tony Award® winner **John Logan**, choreography by Tony Award® winner **Sonya Tayeh** and music supervision, orchestrations and arrangements by Tony Award® winner **Justin Levine**.

The design team for *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* includes Tony Award® winner **Derek McLane** (sets), Tony Award® winner **Catherine Zuber** (costumes), Tony Award® winner **Justin Townsend** (lighting), Tony Award® winner **Peter Hylenski** (sound), Drama Desk Award winner **David Brian Brown** (wig and hair design), **Sarah Cimino** (Make-up design) and Tony Award® winner **Matt Stine** (Music Producer). Casting is by **Jim Carnahan** and **Stephen Kopel**.

Enter a world of splendor and romance, of eye-popping excess, of glitz, grandeur and glory! A world where Bohemians and aristocrats rub elbows and revel in electrifying enchantment. Pop the champagne and prepare for the spectacular spectacular... Welcome to *Moulin Rouge! The Musical*.

Baz Luhrmann's iconic film comes to life onstage, remixed in a new musical mash-up extravaganza. **Moulin Rouge! The Musical** is a theatrical celebration of truth, beauty, freedom and - above all - love. **Moulin Rouge! The Musical** is more than a musical; it is a state of mind.

As in the film, *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* celebrates over 160 years of music – from Offenbach to Lady Gaga. The stage musical features many of the iconic songs from the movie and also includes recent hits released since the movie premiered 21 years ago.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical is produced by **Carmen Pavlovic** and **Gerry Ryan OAM** for **Global Creatures** and **Bill Damaschke**. General management is by **Foresight Theatrical**.

Co-producers of the touring production include Aaron Lustbader, Hunter Arnold, Darren Bagert, Erica Lynn Schwartz/Matt Picheny/Stephanie Rosenberg, Adam Blanshay Productions/Nicolas & Charles Talar, Iris Smith, Aleri Entertainment, Sophie Qi/Harmonia Holdings, CJ ENM, Len Blavatnik, Ambassador Theatre Group, Endeavor Content, John Gore Organization, Spencer Ross, Gilad-

Rogowsky/InStone Productions, AF Creative Media/International Theatre Fund, Nederlander Presentations/IPN, Cody Renard Richard, Jujamcyn Theaters, Eric Falkenstein/Suzanne Grant, Peter May/Sandy Robertson, Tom & Pam Faludy, Triptyk Studio, Carl Daikeler/Sandi Moran, Desantis-Baugh Productions, Red Mountain Theatre Company/ 42ND.CLUB, Candy Spelling/Tulchin Bartner, Roy Furman, Andrew & Ruby Ryan, Brent & Sarah Deboer and Michael Ryan.

Released by 20th Century Studios, **Baz Luhrmann**'s **MOULIN ROUGE!** premiered at the 2001 Cannes Film Festival. At the 74th Academy Awards, the film was nominated for eight Oscars, including Best Picture, and won two.

The Moulin Rouge of Paris, managed by Jean-Jacques Clerico (CEO), is a dazzling and spectacular universe, the symbol of the Parisian way of celebrating since 1889. Starting life as a popular cabaret and dance hall, the venue became an iconic music hall in the Roaring Twenties, and then a theatre where numerous famous French and international artists stepped out into the limelight. Today, the Moulin Rouge and its 60 artists present the Féerie revue show: two hours of amazement between cabaret and music hall styles where dance scenes and surprise acts intersperse — without forgetting the Moulin Rouge's most emblematic dance, the French Cancan! Since its creation, the Moulin Rouge of Paris has always been an invitation to live and share all the emotions and effervescence of a unique party extravaganza. http://www.moulinrouge.fr/

The Grammy-nominated *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* Original Broadway Cast Recording, produced by **Baz Luhrmann, Justin Levine, Matt Stine & Alex Timbers**, is now available by **Baz Luhrmann**'s label, **House of Iona** and **RCA Records**. The album debuted at #1 on Billboard's Cast Album chart.

The book *Moulin Rouge! The Musical: The Story of the Broadway Spectacular*, a glittering backstage pass to *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* and its journey to Broadway, is now available from Rizzoli.

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