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## Due to Popular Demand a Performance Has Been Added to "Avenue Q"at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts

Musical blockbuster is at the Broward Center from November 10-20 before moving to the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center December 1-4

**FORT LAUDERDALE** – Presented by the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and staged by Slow Burn Theatre Company, the laugh-out-loud musical **Avenue Q** has added a performance on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. due to brisk ticket sales.

Winner of the 2004 Tony Award "Triple Crown" of Best Musical, Best Score and Best Book, Avenue Q beat out Wicked that year to take home the trophies. The musical will be presented in the Abdo New River Room at the Broward Center from **Thursday, November 10 – Sunday, November 20**.

Part flesh, part felt and packed with heart, Avenue Q tells the story of a recent college grad who moves into a shabby New York apartment all the way out on Avenue Q where he meets the girl next door, the Republican, the Internet sexpert and other colorful types who help him finally discover his purpose in life. Avenue Q has mature themes and adult situations.

The entertainment newspaper *Variety* reported, "Of all the musicals hatched in the post-2000 age of irony, *Avenue Q* has remained the freshest and funniest."

Performances are held in the Abdo New River Room at the Broward Center where, starting one hour prior to the performance and during intermission, sumptuous sandwiches, salads, snacks and desserts are available for purchase with convenience walk-up service. A full cash bar is also available.

Performances at the Broward Center in the first week are: Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 12 at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 13 at 1 and 6 p.m. Performances the following week are: Wednesday, November 16 – Friday November 18 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 19 at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 20 at 1 and 6 p.m. Tickets at the Broward Center are \$45.

The musical then moves to the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center with show times on Thursday, December 1 - Saturday, December 3 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$40 and \$45.

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse, Aventura Arts & Cultural Center and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at <a href="BrowardCenter.org">BrowardCenter.org</a> or <a href="Ticketmaster.com">Ticketmaster.com</a>; by phone at 954-462-0222; in person at Ticketmaster outlets or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets. We CANNOT PROVIDE REFUNDS OR CUSTOMER SERVICE for tickets purchased from unauthorized sites, brokers or secondary ticket sellers.

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale.

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All dates, programs and artists are subject to change.

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CALENDAR BRIEF: Winner of the Tony Award "Triple Crown" for Best Musical, Best Score and Best Book, Avenue O will be presented in the Abdo New River Room at the Broward Center from Thursday, November 10 - Sunday, November 20. Presented by the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and staged by Slow Burn Theatre Company, the laugh-out-loud musical is part flesh, part felt and packed with heart as it tells the story of a recent college grad who moves into a shabby New York apartment where he meets the colorful types who help him finally discover his purpose in life. Performances in the first week are: Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 12 at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 13 at 1 and 6 p.m. Performances the following week are: Wednesday, November 16 – Friday November 18 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 19 at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 20 at 1 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$45. The musical then moves to the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center with show times on Thursday, December I - Saturday, December 3 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$40 and \$45. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at BrowardCenter.org or Ticketmaster.com; by phone at 954-462-0222; in person at Ticketmaster outlets or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale.

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## About The Broward Center for the Performing Arts

One of America's premier performing arts venues, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts presents more than 700 performances each year to more than 700,000 patrons, showcasing a wide range of exciting cultural programming and events. Guest experiences at the Broward Center include the all-inclusive LATAM AIRLINES CLUB LEVEL, spectacular riverfront views for special events in the Huizenga Pavilion, waterfront dining at Marti's New River Bistro and innovative classes and workshops for all ages at the Rose Miniaci Arts Education Center. With one of the largest arts-in-education programs in the United States, the Broward Center serves more than 150,000 students annually. The Broward Performing Arts Foundation, Inc. receives and maintains funds to sustain, develop and secure the future of the Broward Center. The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Ave. in Fort Lauderdale. For more information, visit BrowardCenter.org.

The Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment Consortium is a cultural partnership between the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Bonnet House Museum & Gardens, NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale, Florida Grand Opera, Fort Lauderdale History Center and the Historic Stranahan House Museum. It is supported by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as

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