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What the Dickens?

"A CHRISTMAS CAROL THE MUSICAL" ADDS SONG AND DANCE TO THE HOLIDAY FAVORITE

FORT LAUDERDALE – The Broward Center for the Performing Arts and the Performance Project present *A Christmas Carol The Musical* in a production of the Charles Dickens' holiday classic that has been adapted for students and family audiences.

Ebenezer Scrooge, the stinglest man in town, is visited on Christmas Eve by three spirits that change his life forever in this high-energy musical that sings and dances its way through Christmas past, present and future.

Published in 1843, A Christmas Carol is arguably the most popular of Dickens' works and its characters and prose have remained holiday staples through the years from Scrooge's "Bah. Humbug" to Tiny Tim's exclamation, "God bless us, every one!"

There are several ways to enjoy A Christmas Carol The Musical in the Amaturo Theater at the Broward Center. The show will be presented on school days as a JM Family Enterprises Smart Stage Matinee on **Thursday, November 30 and Friday, December 1 at 10 and 11:30 a.m.** Tickets to these performances are \$7.20 with \$3 lap seats for infants 12 months and under.

Additional weekend performances are offered on **Saturday, December 2 at 11 a.m. 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.** Tickets to these performances are \$18 and \$20 on the day of the show with \$3 lap seats for infants 12 months and under.

Groups of 10 or more attending the weekday performances may also purchase a Smart Stage Plus 40-minute workshop on Thursday, November 30 at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. During the workshop, students explore the classic in an interactive workshop that combines storytelling and song. Workshop tickets are an additional \$5 per student for groups of 10 or more.

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at <u>BrowardCenter.org</u> or <u>Ticketmaster.com</u>; by phone at 954.462.0222 or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets.

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, times, programs, artists and ticket prices are subject to change without notice.

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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 recommended by the Broward Cultural Council and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau. Programs are sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Council on Arts and Culture.

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