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DARREN CRISS JOINS SETH RUDETSKY RING DOWN THE CURTAIN OF THE 2016 BROADWAY CONCERT SERIES AT PARKER PLAYHOUSE

FORT LAUDERDALE – Darren Criss, known for his work on stage and in the TV show *Glee*, and Sirius XM satellite radio Broadway channel host Seth Rudetsky will close this season's Broadway Concert Series at Parker Playhouse on **Tuesday, April 19 at 8 p.m.**

The two will share the inside scoop and as they shoot the breeze, dish the dirt and raise the roof with unforgettable performances of Broadway hits in the acclaimed series produced by Mark Cortale.

In the part of Blaine Anderson on Fox TV's hit musical comedy/drama series Glee, Criss appeared as the lead vocalist of the show's Dalton Academy Warblers. His cover of the song "Teenage Dream" became the fastest-selling Glee single ever, reaching eight on the Billboard Hot 100 chart, and was a certified gold single in the U.S. Criss was nominated for an Emmy Award for writing the song "This Time" for the Glee finale.

Criss made his feature film debut in 2012 in the comedy *Girl Most Likely*. On Broadway, he has starred in *Hedwig and the Angry Inch* and *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*. He is one of the founding members and co-owners of StarKid Productions, the musical theater company based in Chicago, where he starred as Harry Potter in the company's production of *A Very Potter Musical*. The company's original album *Me and My Dick* made Billboard history by becoming the first charting student-produced musical recording, debuting at number eleven on the Top Cast Albums chart in 2010.

The host of both evenings, Rudetsky has played piano for over a dozen Broadway shows including *Ragtime, Les Misérables, and Phantom of the Opera, and is the man behind SethTV, his web-based* entertainment network. As a comic, Rudetsky was awarded "Funniest Gay Male in NY" at Stand-Up NY and is a three-time Emmy nominee as a writer for *The Rosie O'Donnell Show*. He co-wrote and stars the new Broadway musical *Disaster*!

Tickets are \$46-50 - \$126.50. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at <u>www.BrowardCenter.org</u>, <u>www.ParkerPlayhouse.com</u>, <u>www.Ticketmaster.com</u>; by phone at 954-462-0222; in person at Ticketmaster outlets or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Tickets are also available for purchase at the Parker Playhouse box office Tuesday through Saturday from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Parker Playhouse, located in Holiday Park at 707 N.E. Eighth Street in Fort Lauderdale, is an affiliated venue of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, which provides programming and management of the facility. All dates, times, programs, artists and ticket prices are subject to change without notice.

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