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## **2013 TONY® AWARD-WINNING BEST MUSICAL**



#### IS COMING TO FORT LAUDERDALE

### OPENING MARCH 1, 2016 AT THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Fort Lauderdale, FL – November 20, 2015. *Kinky Boots*, the smash-hit musical that brings together four-time Tony® Award-winner **Harvey Fierstein** (Book) and Grammy® Award-winning rock icon **Cyndi Lauper** (Tony Award-winner for Best Score for *Kinky Boots*), opens at the Broward Center for the Performing arts for a limited two week engagement, March 1 - 13, 2016

Single tickets will go on sale **Friday, December 11** at **10:00a.m.** Tickets will be available at the **Broward Center AutoNation Box Office**, 201 SW Fifth Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312, <u>Ticketmaster.com</u>; <u>BrowardCenter.org</u>.or by calling 954.462.0222. Group orders of 10 or more may be placed by calling 954.660.6307.

Directed and choreographed by Tony Award-winner **Jerry Mitchell**, **Kinky Boots** is represented around the world with the Broadway company now in its third year, a North American First National Tour that launched in September 2014, a Toronto production that opened in June 2015, a London production that opened in September 2015 and a Melbourne production opening in October 2016. A Korean production of **Kinky Boots** ran from December 2014-February 2015 and a return engagement is planned for 2016. The Grammy Award-winning Original Broadway Cast Recording of **Kinky Boots** is available on Sony Masterworks Broadway.

**Kinky Boots** took home six 2013 Tony Awards, the most of any show in the season, including Best Musical, Best Score (Cyndi Lauper), Best Choreography (Jerry Mitchell), Best Orchestrations (Stephen Oremus) and Best Sound Design (John Shivers). The show also received the Drama League, Outer Critics Circle and Broadway.com Awards for Best Musical and the Grammy Award for Best Musical Album, along with many other accolades.

Inspired by true events, *Kinky Boots* takes you from a gentlemen's shoe factory in Northampton to the glamorous catwalks of Milan. Charlie Price is struggling to live up to his father's expectations and continue the family business of Price & Son. With the factory's future hanging in the balance, help arrives in the unlikely but spectacular form of Lola, a fabulous performer in need of some sturdy new stilettos.

The creative team for *Kinky Boots* includes Tony® Award nominee David Rockwell (Scenic Design), Tony® Award-winner Gregg Barnes (Costume Design), Tony Award-winner Kenneth Posner (Lighting Design), Tony® Award-winner John Shivers (Sound Design), Josh Marquette (Hair Design), Randy Houston Mercer (Make-up Design), Telsey + Company, Justin Huff, CSA (Casting), DB Bonds (Associate Director) and Rusty Mowery (Associate Choreographer). *Kinky Boots* features Musical Direction by Ryan Fielding Garrett, and Musical Supervision, Arrangements and Orchestrations by Tony and Grammy Award-winner Stephen Oremus.

*Kinky Boots* is produced on Broadway and on tour by Daryl Roth and Hal Luftig, James L. Nederlander, Terry Allen Kramer, Independent Presenters Network, CJ E&M, Jayne Baron Sherman, Just for Laughs Theatricals/Judith Ann Abrams, Yasuhiro Kawana, Jane Bergere, Allan S. Gordon & Adam S. Gordon, Ken Davenport, Hunter Arnold, Lucy and Phil Suarez, Bryan Bantry, Ron Fierstein and Dorsey Regal, Jim Kierstead/Gregory Rae, BB Group/Christina Papagjika, Michael DeSantis/Patrick Baugh, Brian Smith/Tom and Connie Walsh, Warren Trepp and Jujamcyn Theaters.

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The Fort Lauderdale engagement of **NEWSIES** is presented by arrangement with Broadway Across America, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and Florida Theatrical Association and is a subscription offering of the Bank of America Broadway in Fort Lauderdale 2015-2016 Series.

#### The current schedule is listed below.

Tuesdays: 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays\*: 8:00 p.m. Thursdays: 8:00 p.m. Fridays: 8:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 2:00 and 8:00 p.m. Sundays\*\*: 1:00 and 6:30 p.m.

\*There will be a special 2:00 p.m. matinee performance on Wednesday, March 9.

Calendar Listing

KINKY BOOTS

March 1 - 13, 2016

"There is no show hotter than KINKY BOOTS!" - CBS News

KINKY BOOTS is the exhilarating Broadway musical that will lift your spirits to new high-heeled heights! Winner of six Tony Awards® including BEST MUSICAL, this inspirational story follows a struggling shoe factory owner who works to turn his business around with help from Lola, a fabulous entertainer in need of some sturdy stilettos. Together, this unlikely pair finds that they have more in common than they ever dreamed possible... proving that when you change your mind about someone, you can change your whole world.

Inspired by a true story, *KINKY BOOTS* features a joyous, Tony-winning score by CYNDI LAUPER, direction and Tony-winning choreography by JERRY MITCHELL and a hilarious, uplifting book by four-time Tony winner HARVEY FIERSTEIN. Come join the sold-out audiences who've discovered why – sometimes – the best way to fit in is to stand out!

\* Tickets start at \$35

**Broward Center for the Performing Arts** 

201 SW Fifth Avenue, Ft Lauderdale, FL, 33312

For tickets visit www.browardcenter.org; by phone 954.462.0222

\*All programs, artists, ticket prices, availability, dates and times are subject to change without notice. Additional fees may apply. Visit <a href="https://www.browardcenter.org">www.browardcenter.org</a> for up-to-date information, details and performances.

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# THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is one of America's premier performing arts venues, consistently ranked among the top ten in the country. Presenting more than 700 performances each year to more than 700,000 patrons,

<sup>\*\*</sup>There will not be a 6:30 p.m. performance on Sunday, March 13.

the Center showcases a wide range of exciting cultural programming and events, and offers one of the largest arts-in-education programs in the United States, serving more than 150,000 students annually. In 2007, the Broward Center was named the Cultural Embassy of Broward County in recognition of its success in linking cultural activity with the region's economic development.

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**.

#### **About Broadway Across America**:

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**Florida Theatrical Association** – the non-profit presenter of Broadway in Orlando, Fort Lauderdale and Miami – was founded with the charge of educating and developing new theater audiences and encouraging and preserving the presentation of touring Broadway theater. Since 1989 Florida Theatrical Association has presented over 1,000 Broadway performances and distributed over \$1.5 million in scholarships and grants to arts organizations across the state of Florida.

#### BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATE PHILANTHROPY

Building on a long-standing tradition of investing in the communities it serves, Bank of America is delivering on a 10-year goal to donate \$2 billion to nonprofit organizations engaged in improving the health and vitality of their neighborhoods. Funded by Bank of America, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation gave more than \$200 million in 2010, making the bank one of the largest corporate cash donors in the United States. As a global company serving clients through operations in more than 40 countries, Bank of America approaches investing through a national strategy under which it works with local leaders to identify and meet the most pressing needs of individual communities. Reaffirming a commitment to develop and sustain a culture of service, bank associate volunteers contributed more than one million hours in 2010 to enhance the quality of life in their communities worldwide. For more information about Bank of America Corporate Philanthropy, please visit Bankofamerica.com/foundation.