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### The 2013 Tony Award-Winning Broadway Musical Announces Casting for National Tour Coming to The Hanover Theatre in October



**Worcester, Mass. (August 15, 2016)** Work Light Productions, producer of the Tony Award-winning musical *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella*, is pleased to announce casting for the national tour launching in September 2016. *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella* is playing at The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts October 13 – 16, 2016.

Tatyana Lubov steps into the glass slippers in the title role of Cinderella and Hayden Stanes plays the role of Prince Topher, Cinderella's dashing love interest.

The touring cast also features Leslie Jackson as Marie, The Fairy Godmother, Sarah Primmer as Madame, Ella's wicked stepmother, Vincent Davis as Lord Pinkleton, Joanna Johnson as Charlotte, Ryan M. Hunt as Sebastian, Mimi Robinson as Gabrielle and Chris Woods as Jean-Michele.

Rounding out the ensemble are Kelly Barberito, Delphi Borich, Rhaamell Burke-Missouri, Taylor Daniels, Giovanni DiGabriele, Chloe Fox, AJ Hughes, Lilli Jacobs, Johnny Link, Brian Liebson, Ilda Mason, Lauren Monteleone, Nick Pelaccio, Emilie Renier, Arnie Rodriguez, Caity Skalski and Tiffany Toh.

With its fresh new take on the beloved tale of a young woman who transforms from a chambermaid into a princess, this hilarious and romantic *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella* combines the story's classic elements—glass slippers, pumpkin and a beautiful ball along with some surprising twists. More than just a pretty face with the right shoe size, this *Cinderella* is a contemporary figure living in a fairytale setting. She is a spirited young woman with savvy and soul who doesn't let her rags or her gowns trip her up in her quest for kindness, compassion and forgiveness. She longs to escape the drudgery of her work at home and instead work to make the world a better place. She not only fights for her own dreams, but forces the prince to open his eyes to the world around him and realize his dreams too.

*Cinderella* has music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, a new book by Douglas Carter Beane and original book by Oscar Hammerstein II. The musical features direction by Mark Brokaw and

choreography by Josh Rhodes. Music adaptation, supervision and arrangements are by David Chase and orchestrations are by Danny Troob.

One of Rodgers + Hammerstein's most popular titles, *Cinderella* was written for television—debuting in 1957 starring Julie Andrews. In 2013, the show made its long-overdue Broadway debut. Along with *Cinderella*, Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's legendary musicals include OKLAHOMA!, Carousel, The King and I, South Pacific and The Sound of Music.

Mr. Beane's book for *Cinderella* blends masterfully with the musical's cherished score with songs including "In My Own Little Corner," "Impossible/It's Possible," "Ten Minutes Ago" and "Do I Love You Because You're Beautiful?"

The creative team includes scenic design by Tony Award nominee Anna Louizos, costume design by six-time Tony Award-winner William Ivey Long, lighting design by Tony Award-winner Kenneth Posner and sound design by Tony Award nominee Nevin Steinberg.

The *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella* tour is produced by Work Light Productions. *Cinderella* was produced on Broadway by Robyn Goodman, Jill Furman, Stephen Kocis, Edward Walson, Venetian Glass Productions, The Araca Group, Luigi Caiola & Rose Caiola, Roy Furman, Walt Grossman, Peter May/Sanford Robertson, Glass Slipper Productions LLC/Eric Schmidt, Ted Liebowitz/James Spry, Blanket Fort Productions and in association with Center Theatre Group.

Tickets to *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella* start at \$39. Discounts are available to members of The Hanover Theatre and groups of 10 or more. Tickets are available online at [TheHanoverTheatre.org](http://TheHanoverTheatre.org), by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester. For a full list of show dates, please visit the tours [website](#).

### **About The Hanover Theatre**

The Hanover Theatre continues to draw over 180,000 patrons annually with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits ("Les Misérables," "Jersey Boys"), comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Daniel Tosh), musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Donny Osmond) and everything in between ("A Christmas Carol," Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown). POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the Top Theatres in the World. After eight seasons, the award-winning, historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's acquisition of 551 Main Street houses new function space, offices, rental space for a restaurant on the ground floor and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory for the Performing Arts on the lower level.

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