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The Wells Fargo Wagon is Coming to Worcester



Worcester, Mass. (January 9, 2017) The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts announces *The Music Man* presented by Assumption College's Department of Art, Music and Theatre, April 21-23. Tickets are on sale now.

With songs like "Seventy-Six Trombones" and "Till There Was You", this Tony Award®-winning musical has been delighting audiences for decades. *The Music Man* follows con man "Professor" Harold Hill, who convinces the parents of River City, Iowa to buy instruments and uniforms for their children with the promise to train them. However, Harold is no musician and plans to skip town without giving any music lessons. Chaos ensues as Harold's credentials are questioned by Marian, the prim librarian and piano teacher, and he is called upon to prove himself to the citizens of River City.

"We are excited to once again return to The Hanover Theatre to perform one of America's most loved musicals," said the production's director and producer Richard Monroe, the college's guest theatre director. "*The Music Man* affords Assumption College the opportunity to showcase the great artistic talent of its students and that of many members of the Worcester community. We are very much looking forward to bringing our unique version of the outstanding musical to life on one of Worcester's biggest, and most historic, stages."

The original production of *The Music Man* opened on Broadway in 1957. *The Music Man* won multiple Tony Awards®, including Best Musical, and the cast album won the first Grammy Award® for Best Musical Theater Album. The show's success led to a number of revivals,

including a long-running 2000 Broadway revival, a popular 1962 film adaptation and a 2003 television remake. Book, music and lyrics for *The Music Man* were written by Meredith Willson.

Tickets to *The Music Man* are \$28. Discounts are available to students and seniors. Tickets are available online at TheHanoverTheatre.org, by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester.

About The Hanover Theatre

The Hanover Theatre continues to draw over 197,000 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.

Worcester Center for Performing Arts, a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts and Conservatory. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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