

BROADWAY ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

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Broadway Rose Theatre Presents Rodgers and Hammerstein's Timeless Classic



Tigard, OR – Broadway Rose Theatre Company presents **Rodgers and Hammerstein's** beautifully lush ***Cinderella***, a family-friendly musical featuring the enchanting new Broadway adaptation of one of the most beloved love stories of all time. Preview performance is Thursday, August 3, with opening night on **Friday, August 4**, and performances continuing through **August 20**. Evening performances are Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Audio description is available at the 2:00 p.m. Saturday showing on August 19. Performances are held at the **Deb Fennell Auditorium** located at 9000 SW Durham Road in Tigard.

Tickets are priced from \$30 to \$60 for adults (depending on date). Tickets in the upper section for ages 6-18 are \$20 and ages 19-35 are \$25. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. \$5 tickets are available for Oregon Trail Card holders through the Arts for All program. For a full listing of show performances or to order tickets visit www.broadwayrose.org, call 503.620.5262, or visit the box office at 12850 SW Grant Avenue, Tigard.

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Broadway Rose offers their summer blockbusters at the Deb Fennell Auditorium each year, and *Cinderella* is no exception, featuring a cast of 23 accompanied by a 13-piece live orchestra. Whimsical, lavish, and romantic, Rodgers + Hammerstein's *Cinderella* is the 2013 Broadway adaptation of the classic 1957 musical. The score features beloved songs from the original, such as "In My Own Little Corner," "Impossible/It's Possible," and "Ten Minutes Ago," sprinkled with additional works from the Rodgers and Hammerstein canon, while new characters and an updated book help usher the story into the 21st century. Filled with breathtaking special effects, sparkling costumes, and gorgeous music, this modern fairy tale will sweep you off your feet and let you believe in the power of possibilities.

From the popular musical theatre duo of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II (*The King and I*, *Sound of Music*, *Oklahoma!*), *Cinderella* was originally presented on television in 1957 starring Julie Andrews, and twice remade for television, first in 1965 for Lesley Ann Warren and again in 1997, featuring Brandy and Whitney Houston. The original Broadway production of Rodgers + Hammerstein's *Cinderella* opened in 2013 and starred Laura Osnes, Santino Fontana, Victoria Clark, and Harriet Harris.

"The story of *Cinderella* has always felt like a timeless classic," says Director and Choreographer Lyn Cramer, "and the 2013 Broadway revival presented audiences with a reimagined story to tell, with Douglas Carter Beane's sharp and humorous new book creating a fairy tale for today. The show's focus shifted from 'love at first sight' to themes of social justice, charity, generosity, compassion, kindness, and the ability to change those around us through forgiveness."

Music by Richard Rodgers and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, with a new book by Douglas Carter Beane, and original book by Oscar Hammerstein II. Orchestrations by Danny Troob and music adaptation and arrangements by David Chase. The Broadway Rose production will be directed and choreographed by Lyn Cramer with music direction by Alan D. Lytle. Scenery rental provided by Front Row Theatrical Rental with lighting design by Kristeen Willis, and costume design by Travis Grant with Maine State Music Theatre. Properties design by Sam Manilla, sound design by Brian Karl Moen, with Seth Renne as production manager, Raef Wheaton as technical director, and Jessica Junor as production stage manager.

The cast comprises Jennifer Davies (Ella), Eric Asakawa (Topher), Leah Yorkston (Marie), Lisamarie Harrison (Madame), Sarah Aldrich (Charlotte), Lorna Baxter (Gabrielle), Andrew Maldarelli (Sebastian), Nathanael Ayers (Lord Pinkleton), and Victor Polanco (Jean-Michel), with the ensemble including Kristin Alarcon, Courtney Fero, Alishia Garcia, Jeff George, Andrew Hallas, Signe Larsen, Brendan Long, Ella Matweyou, Noah Miller, Aaron Thacker-Woodruff, Camille Trinkka, Galen Schloming, Amelia Segler, and Alexander Vogelgesang.

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