

MEDIA RELEASE: THURSDAY 2ND JUNE 2022

THE SPECTACULAR SPECTACULAR HAS ARRIVED IN SYDNEY!
MOULIN ROUGE! THE MUSICAL IS PLAYING AT THE CAPITOL THEATRE NOW.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical will have its official Sydney Premiere on Saturday 4th June as Baz Luhrmann's revolutionary film comes to life onstage remixed in a musical mash-up extravaganza. The show makes a long-awaited homecoming to Sydney, where Luhrmann's film was made at Fox Studios, 21 years ago.

Alinta Chidzey stars as the sparkling diamond, Satine, **Des Flanagan** stars opposite Alinta Chidzey as bohemian dreamer Christian, **Simon Burke AO** plays legendary club impresario Harold Zidler and **Andrew Cook** will play The Duke. Montmartre's resident artistes include **Tim Omaji** as Toulouse-Lautrec and **Ryan Gonzalez** as Santiago.

The club's famed entertainers known as the 'Lady M's' will be played by **Samantha Dodemaide** as Nini, **Olivia Vásquez** as Arabia, **Ruva** as La Chocolat, and **Christopher J Scalzo** as Babydoll.

The logistical operation to transport the show from its sold-out premiere season at the Regent Theatre in Melbourne to its new home at Sydney's Capitol Theatre, can only be described as a mammoth undertaking. It has taken approximately **30** trucks to move the show from Melbourne to Sydney, including **793** individual costume pieces plus wigs, set, props and musical instruments.

Over **2km** of hand painted red festoon lighting and **3,500** light bulbs have been carefully transported between states, along with the famous blue elephant which stands taller than a real elephant at **5.1m** tall and weighs **220kgs**. A further **12** large scale, unique chandeliers, that all have their own character and charm to reflect the bohemian atmosphere club owner Harold Zidler would have created, are now hanging in their new home at the Capitol Theatre.

The windmill, which was crafted in Victoria and took **20** people over **2** months to create, now stands tall in the Capitol Theatre alongside the impressive "Moulin Rouge!" sign that greets theatre goers when they step inside the theatre. This is a genuine neon sign, created in one large piece, weighing **370kgs** and requiring **15** people to move and unbox it.

Inside the theatre, over **200** speakers have been unpacked and placed throughout the set, including within the lamps located on the exclusive 'Can-Can' tables.

TICKETS

- New tickets are on sale from Monday 6th June at 9am for performances through to Sunday 23rd October 2022, exclusively through Ticketmaster.

- Tickets are on sale now exclusively through Ticketmaster and lottery partner TodayTix.
- Tickets start from \$69 + handling fee. For those wishing to be surrounded by the action, a small number of 'can-can' table seats are available at every performance.
- All *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* tickets purchased through Ticketmaster are covered by the production's flexible Exchange Policy.

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ABOUT MOULIN ROUGE! THE MUSICAL

Enter a world of splendour and romance, of eye-popping excess, of glitz, grandeur and glory! A world where Bohemians and aristocrats rub elbows and revel in electrifying enchantment. Pop the champagne and prepare for the spectacular...

The 10-time Tony Award-winning musical sees Baz Luhrmann's revolutionary film come to life onstage remixed in a new musical mash-up extravaganza that is currently wowing audiences across the globe, from Melbourne, to Broadway and the West End. Produced by Global Creatures, *Moulin Rouge! The Musical* is the first Australian-produced musical to originate on Broadway.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical is directed by Tony Award winner **Alex Timbers** with a book by Tony Award winner **John Logan**, music supervision, orchestrations and arrangements by Tony Award winner **Justin Levine**, and choreography by Emmy nominee and Tony Award winner **Sonya Tayeh**, costumes designed by Olivier and Tony Award winner **Catherine Zuber**.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical celebrates over 160 years of music from Offenbach to Lady Gaga. Featuring over 70 songs, the production includes many of the iconic hits from the movie as well as new additions from Adele, Katy Perry, Sia, Beyonce, Rihanna and more.