

## SOMETHING WICKED IS COMING TO SINGAPORE!

Tickets for Broadway's Biggest Blockbuster go on Sale August 19

**Singapore, 11th August 2011** - WICKED is coming to Singapore! WICKED, BASE Entertainment and Marina Bay Sands are proud to announce that the hottest musical in Broadway will open in Singapore at Marina Bay Sand's Grand Theater on 7 December 2011 for a strictly limited season. WICKED is one of the most successful shows in theater history and Singaporeans and visitors alike will be spellbound by this production. Tickets go on sale 19 August 2011.

Winner of 35 major awards including a Grammy<sup>®</sup> and three Tony Awards<sup>®</sup> including Best Musical, WICKED is the untold story of the witches of Oz. Long before Dorothy drops in; two other girls meet in the land of Oz, one born with emerald green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. WICKED tells the story of their remarkable odyssey, how these two unlikely friends grow to become the Wicked Witch of the West called Elphaba and Glinda the Good Witch.

"Hooray! Broadway's got a big new musical that's good enough to run for a decade or two! If it doesn't please you, you're too tough to please. Go!" - Wall Street Journal

Currently in its 8th year on Broadway, WICKED's North American and International companies have cumulatively grossed over US\$2.2 billion and have been seen by nearly 28 million people worldwide.

"We're delighted that Singapore is now set to follow WICKED productions in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, the North American tour and London's West End," Marc Platt and David Stone said in a joint statement from New York. "This will be the first time that WICKED will visit the South East Asian region, and we're absolutely sure that Singaporeans – and visitors from around the region – will be just as enchanted by WICKED as the audiences are in America, England, Europe, North Asia and Australia."

"If every musical had the brain, the heart and the courage of WICKED, Broadway really would be a magical place." - Time Magazine

WICKED opened in London's West End in 2006. In 2007, a Japanese language production of WICKED opened in Tokyo and a German language production of WICKED opened in Stuttgart in the same year. This show has been running in Australia since 2008.





THE BROADWAY MUSICAL THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE WITCHES OF OZ

The Producers of WICKED take great pleasure in working with Milan Rokic, Managing Director and Vice President of BASE Entertainment Asia and local promoter of WICKED. Rokic says "Get ready Singapore for a musical that is unique, a phenomenon, quite unlike any other show. Music theater lovers and audiences from all different backgrounds will adore WICKED. It's an enchanting musical with wit and spectacle and a wonderful score, but it also spans the demographic of people from 8 to 80. It brings in audiences who've never been to the theater, and never thought they would go and they come out spellbound and wanting more. Singapore is in for a treat."

The smash-hit musical with music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz (Godspell, Pippin, Academy Award-winner for Pocahontas and The Prince of Egypt) and book by Winnie Holzman (My So Called Life, Once and Again and thirtysomething) is based on the best-selling novel by Gregory Maguire. WICKED is produced by Marc Platt, Universal Pictures, The Araca Group, Jon B. Platt and David Stone. Gregory Maguire's best-selling 1995 novel, has sold more than 3 million copies - 2.5 million since WICKED opened on Broadway in 2003. The album sold more than a million copies and the amazing companion book that goes with the show, The Grimmerie, has sold almost 150,000 copies.

"Broadway's biggest blockbuster." - New York Times

"Remember the last time an original Broadway musical made you laugh, cry and think? WICKED is the most complete and completely satisfying new musical in a long time." - USA Today





## Tickets go on sale 19 August 2011. Don't miss out!

# TICKETING INFORMATION

DAY / TIMES	EMERALD RESERVE	A RES	B RES	C RES	D RES	E RES
TUE - FRI: 8pm SAT - SUN: 2PM & 8PM	\$250	\$165	\$145	\$125	\$95	\$55

### FOR TICKET BOOKINGS:

**THROUGH INTERNET**: www.MarinaBaySands.com/Ticketing

**BY PHONE** : (+65) 6688 8826

BOOK IN PERSON AT : Marina Bay Sands Box Offices (Museum, Theaters, SkyPark, Retail Mall and

Hotel Tower 1 and 3 Lobby)

For more information please log onto our official website www.marinabaysands.com

## **ABOUT MARINA BAY SANDS**

Marina Bay Sands is the leading business, leisure and entertainment destination in Asia. It features large and flexible convention and exhibition facilities, 2,560 hotel rooms and suites, the rooftop Sands SkyPark, the best shopping mall in Asia, world-class celebrity chef restaurants, a casino, Paiza Club for premium players and an outdoor event plaza. Its two theaters showcase a range of leading entertainment acts, including the resident performance "The Lion King". Completing the line-up of attractions is the ArtScience Museum at Marina Bay Sands which plays host to permanent and marquee exhibitions. For more information, please visit www.marinabaysands.com.

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### ABOUT BASE ENTERTAINMENT

BASE Entertainment specializes in the development, production, programming and management of live entertainment properties and theater operations. BASE develops, produces and manages intellectual properties which reach audiences through various platforms, including live, digital, broadcast and licensing. BASE Entertainment founders include Brian Becker and Scott Zeiger, who have 45 years combined experience in the live entertainment industry. The company has offices in Singapore, New York, Las Vegas, and Houston. Since their Asia office opened in Singapore in 2010 Base Entertainment has brought a wide array of live entertainment to Singapore's Marina Bay Sands' two theaters, including Disney's *The Lion King, Riverdance, A.R. Rahman, Thriller Live, The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Cirque Éloize iD, Bar at Buena Vista,* and The Imperial Ice Stars production of *Swan Lake on Ice*.

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