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**The North American Tour of nickelodeon's
THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL
Coming to Tacoma's Pantages Theater on March 5**

"Brilliant!" – *The New York Times*
"This Musical is for everyone!" – *The Huffington Post*
"In Bikini Bottom, persistence, optimism,
and friendship can still win the day!" – *New York Magazine*

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TACOMA, WASH.— The North American Tour of the critically acclaimed, award-winning **THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL** will make its Tacoma premiere at the Pantages Theater on Thursday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$79 and are [on sale now](#).

THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL explodes with energy and features an original pop and rock-infused score by a legendary roster of Grammy® Award-winning songwriters. Led and conceived by visionary director **Tina Landau** and a Tony Award®-winning design team, the production brings the spirit of SpongeBob to life with humanity, heart, and pure theatricality. **THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL** features a book by **Kyle Jarrow**, orchestrations and arrangements by **Tom Kitt**, musical supervision by **Julie McBride & Tim Hanson**, and choreography by **Christopher Gattelli**. The design team includes scenic and costume design by **David Zinn**, lighting design by **Kevin Adams**, projection design by **Peter Nigrini**, sound design by **Walter Trarbach**, hair and wig design by **Charles G. LaPointe**, make-up design by **Joe Dulude II**, foley design by **Mike Dobson**, and casting by **Stewart/Whitley**.

THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL is a one-of-a-kind musical event with original songs by **Yolanda Adams, Steven Tyler and Joe Perry of Aerosmith, Sara Bareilles, Jonathan Coulton, Alex Ebert of Edward Sharpe & The Magnetic Zeros, The Flaming Lips, Lady Antebellum, Cyndi Lauper & Rob Hyman, John Legend, Panic! At the Disco, Plain White T's, They Might Be Giants, T.I., Domani & Lil'C** and songs by **David Bowie & Brian Eno**, and by **Tom Kenny & Andy Paley**. Additional lyrics by **Jonathan Coulton**. Additional music by **Tom Kitt**.

Starring in **THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL** are **Lorenzo Pugliese** as SpongeBob SquarePants, **Beau Bradshaw** as Patrick Star, **Cody Cooley** as Squidward Q. Tentacles, **Zach Kononov** as Eugene Krabs, **Tristan McIntyre** as Sheldon Plankton, and **Daria Pilar Redus** as Sandy Cheeks.

The ensemble features Joshua Bess, Morgan Blanchard, John Cardenas, Chris Cerreto, Natalie L. Chapman, Richie Dupkin, Teddy Gales, Stephen C. Kallas, Méami Maszewski, Stefan Miller, Mary Nickson, Dorian O'Brien, Caitlin Ort, Elle-May Patterson, Helen Regula, Sydney Simone, Ayana Strutz, Miles Davis Tillman, Rico Velazquez, and Rachel Wong.

"Wonders pour from the stage in a ravishing stream of color and invention" (*Time Out New York*) as Broadway's best creative minds reimagine and bring to life the beloved Nickelodeon series with humor, heart and pure theatricality in a neon-sparkly "party for the eyes and ears" (*Daily Beast*). Be there when SpongeBob



and all of Bikini Bottom face catastrophe—until a most unexpected hero rises to take center stage. This “creative explosion” (*Broadway.com*) is “nothing short of genius” says *TheaterMania*, and theatergoers of all ages will celebrate friendship and cooperation and learn the power of unity and inclusion.

The Original Cast Recording is available now from Masterworks Broadway wherever music is sold and [streamed](#).

Explore the depths of theatrical innovation in **THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL**, 2018 Best Musical winner of the Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards, where the power of optimism really can save the world. For more information, visit www.TheSpongeBobMusical.com.

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About SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS:

SpongeBob SquarePants launched on July 17, 1999 and has reigned as the number-one kids’ animated series on TV for the last 17 years, generating a universe of beloved characters, pop culture catchphrases and memes, theatrical releases, consumer products, a Tony award-winning Broadway musical and a global fan base. *SpongeBob SquarePants* is the most widely distributed property in Viacom International Media Networks history, seen in more than 208 countries and territories, translated in 55+ languages, and averaging more than 100 million total viewers every quarter. [SpongeBob SquarePants](#) is created by Stephen Hillenburg and produced by Nickelodeon in Burbank, Calif. The character-driven cartoon chronicles the nautical and sometimes nonsensical adventures of SpongeBob, an incurable optimist and earnest sea sponge, and his undersea friends.

The core of Tacoma’s Historic Theater District, Tacoma Arts Live’s mission is to energize the community through live performance. Founded in 1979, Tacoma Arts Live is a non-profit organization recognized for leadership in presenting world-class performing artists, providing one of the largest arts education programs in Washington State, and preserving Tacoma’s historic theaters. Learn more at TacomaArtsLive.org

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