

MEDIA RELEASE

Jersey Boys arrives with a musical bang this February at The Citadel Theatre

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Edmonton, Alberta – Carrying audiences back to the era of the 1960s with songs you know and love, *Jersey Boys* takes the stage at The Citadel Theatre.

The story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, where four men from the wrong side of the tracks in New Jersey came together to form one of the most successful bands in music history. Spanning across decades, this musical tale reveals the inspiring behind-the-music story of their rise to fame and the trials that could tear them apart.

Written by **Marshall Brickman** and **Rick Elice**, *Jersey Boys* is a Tony, Grammy and Olivier Award winning musical that closed this past May on Broadway after a 15-year run. The Citadel's own unique production of this international phenomenon is directed and choreographed by **Julie Tomaino**, a Jessie Award and Dora Award-winning theatre artist who recently choreographed the Citadel's production of *9 to 5: The Musical*.

With a 6-piece band under the Music Direction of **Steven Greenfield**, we are excited to present this world-class musical for Citadel audiences. Starring Edmonton's own **Farren Timoteo** as Frankie Valli. Farren is well known to Citadel audiences from such plays as *The Fiancée* and *Peter and the Starcatcher*. Timoteo is joined by **Devon Brayne** as Nick Massi, **Kale Penny** as Tommy DeVito and **Jason Sakaki** as Bob Gaudio to form the complete band.

Jersey Boys is playing in the Shoctor Theatre from February 11 – March 12, 2023. Tickets are available at the Box Office at 780.425.1820 or online at citadeltheatre.com

Photos will be available by February 13, 2023.

Jersey Boys

Book by Marshall Brickman & Rick Elice

Music by Bob Gaudio

Lyrics by Bob Crewe

CAST

Vance Avery

Bob Crewe, Ensemble

Devon Brayne

Nick Massi

Billy Brown

Joey, Ensemble

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| Samantha Currie | Lorraine, Ensemble |
| Sheldon Elter | Gyp DeCarlo, Ensemble |
| Daniela Fernandez | Mary Delgado, Ensemble |
| Jordan Goodridge | Barry Belson, Hal Miller, Ensemble |
| Andrew MacDonald-Smith | Norm Waxman, Nick DeVito, Hank Majewski, Ensemble |
| Christina Nguyen | Francine, Ensemble |
| Kale Penny | Tommy DeVito |
| Hal Wesley Rogers | Joe Long, Ensemble |
| Jason Sakaki | Bob Gaudio |
| Farren Timoteo | Frankie Valli |

UNDERSTUDIES

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| Vance Avery | Gyp DeCarlo, Ensemble |
| Billy Brown | Norm Waxman, Nick DeVito, Hank Majewski, Ensemble |
| Niko Combitis | Frankie Valli, Bob Gaudio |
| Troy Goldthorp | Nick Massi, Tommy DeVito, Bob Crewe, Joe Long, Ensemble |
| Hal Wesley Rogers | Joey, Barry Belson, Hal Miller, Ensemble |
| Karlee Squires | Lorraine, Francine, Mary Delgado, Ensemble |

BAND

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| Steven Greenfield | Keys 1 |
| Jim Cockell | Contractor |
| Dan Davis | Reed |
| Jim Head | Guitar |
| Allyson MacIvor | Drums |
| Jessica Pradhan | Bass (Intern) |
| Aretha Tillotson | Bass |
| Russ Whitehead | Trumpet / Flugelhorn |

CREATIVE TEAM

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| Julie Tomaino | Director and Choreographer |
| Steven Greenfield | Music Director |
| Gillian Gallow | Co-Set and Props Designer |
| Beyata Hackborn | Co-Set and Props Designer |
| Leona Brausen | Costume Designer |
| Jareth Li | Lighting Designer |
| Brian Kenny | Sound Designer |
| Morgan Yamada | Fight Director |
| Gianna Vacirca | Assistant Director and Assistant Choreographer |
| Larissa Poho | Assistant Music Director |
| Alison Matthews | Dialect Coach |
| Even Gilchrist | Assistant Lighting Designer |
| Michelle Chan | Stage Manager |
| Lore Green | Assistant Stage Manager |
| Krystal Johnson | Apprentice Stage Manager |

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