

## GRoW @ The Wallis

### The Wallis and the Broadway Dreams Foundation Announce June 2017 Edition of Annual Summer Intensive for Aspiring Musical Theater Artists in Los Angeles with All-Star Faculty Roster

**A special #cometogether public showcase performance featuring students  
and faculty members premieres on Saturday, June 24 at 7:30pm**

(Beverly Hills, CA June 15) The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts (The Wallis) and the Broadway Dreams Foundation (BDF) are thrilled to announce the return of the annual Broadway Dreams Summer Intensive being held June 18 – 25, 2017 at The Wallis in Beverly Hills, as well as its talented musical theater faculty lineup comprised of Broadway performers, directors and casting directors. The annual weeklong intensive invites future stars of the stage to embark on a rigorous week of Broadway-caliber training—focusing on acting, vocal performance and dance—learning from the brightest and best industry professionals.

Faculty members include Emmy-nominated choreographer **Spencer Liff** (*Spring Awakening*; *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*; “So You Think You Can Dance”); actor **Alex Newell** (“Glee”); Broadway Dreams Foundation Education Director **Craig D’Amico** (*Fiddler on the Roof*; *Annie Get Your Gun*); actress **Julie Craig** (*West Side Story*; *One Hand, One Heart*); award-winning composer **Bálint Varga** (*Houdini – Escaping Death*); actor **Christopher J. Hanke** (*How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*; “Odd Mom Out”); actor **Nick Adams** (*Wicked*; *Priscilla: Queen of the Desert*); Broadway musician and vocal coach **Craig Johnson**; actor and vocal coach **Cris O’Byron** (*Bonnie & Clyde*; *Hoover Comes Alive!*); and casting director and Broadway Dreams Executive Director **Annette Tanner**.

The weeklong intensive will culminate with **#cometogether**, a public showcase performance event that brings students and their mentors together on stage of the Bram Goldsmith Theater on Saturday, June 24 at 7:30pm. The one-night-only special performance directed by Spencer Liff will feature a series of musical segments from popular musicals and music genres. Last year’s *Dreamer’s Ball* featured performances of such hits as Fosse’s “Big Spender” from *Sweet Charity*, “What About Love?” from *The Color Purple*, and more. Tickets are now on sale at [TheWallis.org](http://TheWallis.org), and join the Facebook event at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/110249706242345/>.

“The Wallis is thrilled to partner with Broadway Dreams to offer this exceptional program,” said Mark Slavkin, The Wallis’ Director of Education. “The training and the relationships formed are transformative in the development of artists of all ages.”

“Broadway Dreams was founded with the belief that socio-economic background should not be a barrier for youth and young adults to pursue their interest in musical theatre and performance,” said Annette Tanner, Founder and President of Broadway Dreams. “With the support of committed

partners like The Wallis, we are able to provide performance training, life skills building and mentorship opportunities to tomorrow's stars from today's most distinguished talents."

Single tickets for the **#cometogether** showcase performance are now available for \$25 and \$50. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [TheWallis.org](http://TheWallis.org), call 310.746.4000, or stop by in person at the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Services located at 9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90210. Ticket prices subject to change.

BDF has a grand history of guiding students through their professional journey as young artists, giving them the tools, support and industry connections they need to succeed. Over the past several years, more than 50 BDF students have landed roles in Broadway, national touring and regional productions. BDF students can currently be seen in the 2016 Tony Award-winning and nominated productions of *Hamilton*, *Waitress*, and *Tuck Everlasting*, among others.

The partnership with BDF illuminates yet another component of GRoW @ The Wallis, the center's arts education program. For more information about education initiatives offered through GRoW @ The Wallis, please visit [TheWallis.org/Education](http://TheWallis.org/Education).

For more information about The Broadway Dreams Foundation, please visit [mybroadwaydreams.com](http://mybroadwaydreams.com).

For more information about The Wallis, please visit: [TheWallis.org](http://TheWallis.org).

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#### **TICKET INFORMATION:**

- What:** The Wallis and Broadway Dreams Foundation present  
**#cometogether**
- Where:** Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts  
Bram Goldsmith Theater  
9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd, Beverly Hills, CA, 90210
- When:** Saturday, June 24 at 7:30pm
- Tickets:** Single tickets: \$25 and \$50 (prices subject to change)  
Online – [TheWallis.org](http://TheWallis.org)  
By Phone – 310.746.4000  
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