# **Press Release**



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# GRoW @ The Wallis and Broadway Dreams Announce July 2018 Edition of the "Broadway Dreams Summer Intensive" with All-Star Faculty Roster for Aspiring Musical Theater Artists in Los Angeles

# A special *The Hits Reimagined* public showcase performance featuring students and faculty members premieres on Saturday, July 14 at 7:30pm

(Beverly Hills, CA June 25) The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts and Broadway Dreams announce the 2018 Broadway Dreams Summer Intensive, featuring an all-star faculty roster comprised of Broadway performers, directors, casting directors and choreographers, held July 8 – 15, 2018 at The Wallis in Beverly Hills. 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—taught by the brightest and best industry professionals.

It culminates with **The Hits Reimagined**, a public showcase performance event that brings students and their mentors together on the stage of The Wallis's Bram Goldsmith Theater on Saturday, July 14 at 7:30pm. The one-night-only special performance directed by one of the industry's finest directors features a series of musical segments from popular musicals and music genres. Previous culminations have included performances of such hits as Fosse's "Big Spender" from *Sweet Charity*, "What About Love?" from *The Color Purple*, and more (tickets on sale now).

Faculty members for the 2018 Broadway Dreams Summer Intensive include director **Stafford Arima** (*Allegiance*); actress **Kathryn Tokarz** ("A Christmas Story Live!"); director **Aaron Simon Gross** (*Merrily We Roll Along*); choreographer **Mandy Moore** ("So You Think You Can Dance?"); actor **Christopher J. Hanke** (*How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*); actress/singer **Anisha Nagarajan** (*Bombay Dreams*); actor **Matthew Scott** (*An American in Paris*); choreographer **Michele Lynch** (*Everyday Rapture*); and award-winning orchestrator and arranger **Lynne Shankel** (*Altar Boyz*).

"The Wallis is proud to partner, once again, with Broadway Dreams to present this outstanding and worthwhile program," says Mark Slavkin, The Wallis' Director of Education. "The training and the relationships formed are transformative in the development of artists of all ages."

Single tickets for the *The Hits Reimagined* showcase performance are now available for \$30 – \$60. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit 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.

Broadway Dreams has a stellar 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 100 Broadway Dreams students have landed roles in Broadway, national touring and regional productions, including the Tony Award-nominated productions of *Hamilton*, *Waitress*, and *Tuck Everlasting*.

The partnership with Broadway Dreams 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.

For more information about Broadway Dreams, please visit broadwaydreams.org.

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## **EDITORS PLEASE NOTE:**

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## TICKET PRICES AND INFORMATION:

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