

WICKED

BREAKS RECORD TO BECOME THE HIGHEST GROSSING PRODUCTION IN BROADWAY HISTORY

BLOCKBUSTER MUSICAL POSTS WEEKLY GROSS OF \$2,086,135

The Broadway smash **WICKED** has become the only Broadway show in history to gross over \$2 million for one week of performances. For the week ending Sunday, November 29, the musical, now in its 7th year, grossed \$2,086,135, surpassing its own record of \$1,839,950 as the highest grossing week in Broadway history (for the week ending December 30, 2007), and setting a new house record at the Gershwin Theatre.

Winner of 26 major awards including the Grammy Award and three Tony Awards, **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 and Glinda the Good.

Declared "A Cultural Phenomenon" by *Variety*, **WICKED** currently has productions in New York, San Francisco, London, Tokyo, Stuttgart, Sydney and on two North American tours. Based on the novel by Gregory Maguire, **WICKED** has music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, and a book by Winnie Holzman. The production is directed by Joe Mantello with musical staging by Wayne Cilento. **WICKED** is produced by Marc Platt, Universal Pictures, The Araca Group, Jon B. Platt and David Stone.

The musical currently stars **Dee Roscioli** as Elphaba, **Erin Mackey** as Glinda, **Kevin Kern** as Fiyero, **Rondi Reed** as Madame Morrible, **P.J. Benjamin** as The Wizard, **Alex Brightman** as Boq, **Michelle Federer** as Nessarose, and **Timothy Britten Parker** as Dr. Dillamond.

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster www.ticketmaster.com/wicked. For more information, visit www.wickedthemusical.com. **WICKED** is performed at the Gershwin Theatre, 222 West 51st Street, between Broadway and 8th Avenue.

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