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The King of Queens, Kevin James returns to Worcester



Worcester, Mass. (February 28, 2019) After a nearly sold-out performance in 2014, comedian *Kevin James* returns to The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts. The Emmy®-nominated star of TV and film brings a new stand-up act to Worcester on Friday, May 3 at 8 pm. Tickets are now on sale to members and go on sale to the general public on Friday, March 1 at 10 am.

Kevin James began his career as a stand-up on the Long Island comedy scene. After being discovered at the 1996 Montreal Comedy Festival, he signed a network development deal to create his own sitcom. “The King of Queens,” which premiered in 1998, ran for nine seasons on CBS, with James starring and executive producing, and garnered him an Emmy® nomination in 2006 for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series.

In 2001, James brought his stand-up act to TV with “Sweat the Small Stuff,” a one-hour special for Comedy Central. James and Ray Romano later executive produced and starred in the HBO Sports special “Making the Cut: The Road to Pebble Beach,” a documentary about the Pebble Beach Pro Am Golf Tournament that was nominated for a Sports Emmy®. His second comedy special, “Never Don’t Give Up,” premiered on Netflix in April 2018.

James was the producer, co-writer and star of the hit comedies “Paul Blart: Mall Cop,” “Zookeeper” and “Here Comes The Boom.” He made his feature film debut in 2005 in Columbia Pictures’ “Hitch,” starring opposite Will Smith, and starred alongside Adam Sandler in “Pixels,” “Grown Ups,” “Grown Ups 2” and “I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry.” He starred in the feature “True Memoirs of an International Assassin” for Netflix in 2016. In addition to his on-camera work, James’s voice has been featured in the

animated films “Barnyard” for Nick Movies, as well as “Monster House” and the “Hotel Transylvania” franchise for Sony Pictures Animation.

Tickets to *Kevin James* start at \$38 and are available online at TheHanoverTheatre.org, by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester.

About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts

The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than 2 million patrons with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits (“Jersey Boys,” “Kinky Boots,” “Something Rotten!”), comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Jerry Seinfeld), musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Tony Bennett) and everything in between (“A Christmas Carol,” Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown, Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson). POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the Top Theatres in the World. After nine seasons, the award-winning, historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre’s facilities at 551 Main Street house new function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

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