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Jesus Christ Superstar to play in Worcester
April 27 – 30, 2023



Worcester, Mass. (29 November 2022)

[Jesus Christ Superstar](#), generously sponsored by Bay States Saving Bank, will be coming to The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts from April 27 – 30, 2023. **Tickets are on sale now at TheHanoverTheatre.org!**

Celebrating its 50th Anniversary, a new mesmerizing production of the iconic musical phenomenon returns to the stage. Originally staged by London’s Regent’s Park Open Air Theatre and helmed by the acclaimed director **Timothy Sheader** (*Crazy for You*, *Into the Woods*) and cutting-edge choreographer **Drew McOnie** (*King Kong*, *Strictly Ballroom*), this production won the 2017 Olivier Award for Best Musical Revival garnering unprecedented reviews and accolades. Appealing to both theater audiences and concert music fans, this production pays tribute to the historic 1971 Billboard Album of the Year while creating a modern, theatrical world that is uniquely fresh and inspiring.

With lyrics and music by Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony winners **Tim Rice** and **Andrew Lloyd Webber**, *Jesus Christ Superstar* is set against the backdrop of an extraordinary series of events during the final weeks in the life of Jesus Christ as seen through the eyes of Judas. Reflecting the rock roots that defined a generation, the legendary score includes ‘I Don’t Know How to Love Him’, ‘Gethsemane’ and ‘Superstar’.

“This is not your grandmother’s ‘Superstar.’ Drew McOnie’s choreography has the explosive feel of barely contained ecstasy, filled with flailing movements that evoke old time tent revivals where snake handlers spoke in tongues and miraculously cured the sick. Tom Scutt’s

smoke-colored costumes give the piece a timeless feel, as does his towering, sleek, steel-and-scaffolding set. Stark and shadowy, lighting designer Lee Curan's work is so rhythmic it almost feels like a part of the orchestra."

– [Chicago Sun Times](#)

Tickets for [Jesus Christ Superstar](#) are \$39, \$49, \$62 and \$79 depending on seat location. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. For more information, please contact the box office at **877.571.SHOW (7469)** or visit **[TheHanoverTheatre.org](#)**.

About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts

Since opening in 2008, The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than two million guests with Broadway musicals, comedy headliners, music, dance and more. POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the top theatres in the world. The award-winning historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class center for the performing arts, a venue for local cultural and civic organizations and a catalyst for the revitalization of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's facilities at 551 Main Street house function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

Worcester Center for Performing Arts (WCPA), a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts (THT) and, on behalf of the Worcester Cultural Coalition (WCC), manages Worcester's BrickBox Theater at the Jean McDonough Arts Center (JMAC). All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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