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Detroit's favorite holiday laughs are back!
***A Forbidden Broadway Christmas* returns to the Gem Theatre**

After setting a record for the Gem Theatre's best holiday show in 2007, ***A Forbidden Broadway Christmas*** is set to return to the Gem November 24 – New Year's Eve. Tickets (\$19.75 - \$45) are on sale now through the Gem Theatre Box Office, Ticketmaster charge by phone (800) 982-2787, all Ticketmaster Ticketcenters and online at www.ticketmaster.com.

Based on the popular *Forbidden Broadway* production, ***A Forbidden Broadway Christmas*** includes spoofs of Broadway's greatest shows and performers. From *The Phantom of the Opera* to *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, no show is immune from the comedic parody of the Forbidden company! For the holidays, ***A Forbidden Broadway Christmas*** adds spoofs of celebrities and holiday favorites such as Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby, Cher, Britney Spears, and more - all singing your favorite holiday numbers. And don't worry - you don't have to be a Broadway aficionado to get the jokes. The show is top-notch quality fun, even if you don't know the tunes!

This year, ***A Forbidden Broadway Christmas*** returns to Detroit with new-to-Detroit spoofs of Broadway shows and celebrities, as well as the same amazing cast that made the 2007 production a smashing success. The Gem Theatre cast includes, Janet Caine (Commerce Township), Jennifer George Consiglio (Sterling Heights), Mark David Kaplan (Chicago), Jason Richards (Garden City) and Kimberly Vanbiesbrouck (St. Clair Shores).

Tickets (**\$19.75-\$45**) are on sale now through the Gem Theatre Box Office (313) 963-9800, Ticketmaster charge by phone (800) 982-2787, at all Ticketmaster Ticketcenters, and online at www.ticketmaster.com. A complete list of performance dates and times follows.

The Historic Gem Theatre, Elwood Bar & Grill and Colony Club are the gems in the heart of Detroit's entertainment district offering theatre packages, dinner, lunch, weddings, special events, boxed lunches, tours and more! For more information, call (313) 963-9800, visit online at www.gemtheatre.com, or in person at 333 Madison Ave, Detroit MI 48226.

A Forbidden Broadway Christmas Gem Theatre Performance Schedule

PREVIEW PERFORMANCES (Tickets: \$19.75)

Tuesday, November 24 8:00pm
Wednesday, November 25 8:00pm
Friday, November 27 8:00pm
Saturday, November 28 3:00pm
Saturday, November 28 8:00pm
Sunday, November 29 2:00pm
Sunday, November 29 6:00pm

REGULAR PERFORMANCES (Tickets: \$39.50)

Wednesday, December 2 8:00pm
Thursday, December 3 2:00pm
Thursday, December 3 8:00pm
Friday, December 4 8:00pm
Saturday, December 5 3:00pm
Saturday, December 5 8:00pm
Sunday, December 6 2:00pm
Sunday, December 6 6:00pm

Wednesday, December 9 8:00pm
Thursday, December 10 2:00pm
Thursday, December 10 8:00pm
Friday, December 11 8:00pm
Saturday, December 12 3:00pm
Saturday, December 12 8:00pm
Sunday, December 13 2:00pm
Sunday, December 13 6:00pm

Wednesday, December 16 8:00pm
Thursday, December 17 2:00pm
Thursday, December 17 8:00pm
Friday, December 18 8:00pm
Saturday, December 19 3:00pm
Saturday, December 19 8:00pm

Tuesday, December 22 8:00pm
Wednesday, December 23 8:00pm
Saturday, December 26 3:00pm
Saturday, December 26 8:00pm
Sunday, December 27 2:00pm
Sunday, December 27 6:00pm

Monday, December 28 8:00pm
Tuesday, December 29 8:00pm
Wednesday, December 30 2:00pm
Wednesday, December 30 8:00pm

NEW YEAR'S EVE PERFORMANCES (Tickets: \$45.00)

Thursday, December 31 4:00pm
Thursday, December 31 8:00pm

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Media Note: Interviews are available with cast & crew members. Members of the media are invited to attend the official media night on Wednesday, December 2nd at 8:00pm. To request an interview or to RSVP for media night, contact Scott Myers at (313) 463-4216 or smyers@gemtheatre.com.

This press release, publicity photos and more are available online at:
<http://www.gemtheatre.com/ForbiddenBroadwayChristmasDetroitMediaPage.htm>