

## Media Release



## Queensland had it coming... Chicago auditions for national tour

Queensland performers will be vying to razzle dazzle this Sunday as they sing, dance and all that jazz at the Brisbane auditions for the hit musical *Chicago*.

*Chicago's* national tour premieres at QPAC from 19 March 2009. Tickets for the QPAC season of *Chicago* go on sale on Monday, 27 October.

Keen to gain a place in the much anticipated musical, Queensland's performers will face two-time Tony award-winning producer John Frost, musical director Rob Fisher, who has supervised companies of *Chicago* around the world, and Gary Chryst, who has staged the *Chicago* choreography on every continent except Antarctica.

Winner of 6 Tony Awards®, 2 Olivier Awards®, a Grammy® and thousands of standing ovations, *Chicago* is one of the longest-running musicals on both Broadway and the West End. It is nearly a decade since the "story of murder, greed, corruption, violence, exploitation, adultery and treachery" played at QPAC.

Filled with sensational choreography and heaving with a sizzling score including well known tunes such as the *Cell Block Tango* and *All That Jazz*, *Chicago* is the story of a nightclub dancer, a smooth talking lawyer and a cell block of sin and merry murderesses. It would be a crime to miss it.

Producer John Frost said he was looking forward to bringing *Chicago* back to Brisbane and was thrilled with the excited anticipation from audiences.

"Sassy, sinful and seductive, *Chicago* is a musical that both thrills and chills which is why it continues to tour the world after so many years and has been seen by an estimated audience of more than 17 million people.

"It's also why it is a much sought after musical by performers and I look forward to announcing the cast of this passionate production in November."

The multi-award winning musical will be the first production to take centre stage in QPAC's newly refurbished Lyric Theatre when it opens on 19 March. Following the Queensland season, *Chicago* will tour to Sydney, Perth and Melbourne.

## Ticket information

Venue: Lyric Theatre, QPAC

Date/time: From 19 March for a limited season.

Bookings: 136 246 or qtix.com.au

