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Alan Campbell and George Wendt to Star in *Rock and Roll Man: The Alan Freed Story*

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The new musical will make its world premiere at Bucks County Playhouse in Pennsylvania.



Alan Campbell and George Wendt

Tony nominee Alan Campbell and Emmy nominee George Wendt will star in the world premiere production of *Rock and Roll Man: The Alan Freed Story*. The musical will run from September 12 to October 1 at Bucks County Playhouse in New Hope, Pennsylvania.

The musical uncovers the true story of Alan Freed, the 1950s American disc jockey who discovered music that all of America wanted to hear, though no radio station would pay it. The show features an original score by Gary Kupper, who also wrote the book alongside Larry Marshak and Rose Caiola.

Campbell starred with **Glenn Close** in **Sunset Boulevard** and received a Tony nomination for his performance as Joe Gillis. Wendt is best known for the role of Norm Peterson on *Cheers*, where he was nominated for six Emmy Awards. He has also appeared on Broadway in *Hairspray*.

Rock and Roll Man: The Alan Freed Story will also feature rock and roll classics from the period. Randal Myler will direct; Brian Reeder will choreograph.

Tickets to “Rock and Roll Man” are on sale now. For more information, visit **BucksCountyPlayhouse.org**, call 215-862-2121, or visit the box office at 70 South Main Street, New Hope, PA.