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The Rocky Horror Show Returns to Bucks County Playhouse



The 2016 Cast of "Richard O'Brien's The Rocky Horror Show". (Photo courtesy)

By Community Bulletin

Continuing a Halloween-season tradition that resumed in 2013, shortly after the opening of the historic New Hope venue, Bucks County Playhouse (BCP) will once again present its popular production of Richard O'Brien's "The Rocky Horror Show" for an extended run beginning Friday, October 13 through Sunday, October 29. Bucks County Playhouse's Executive Producer Robyn Goodman, Producing Director Alexander Fraser and Producers Stephen Kocis and Joshua Fiedler announced final casting for the production, which features direction by Hunter Foster (BCP's "Clue: On Stage" and "Guys and Dolls") with choreography by Lorin Latarro (BCP's "Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story" and Broadway's "Waitress").

With such a strong reception in 2016, the Playhouse is offering more "Rocky" -- adding an extra week of performances, increasing the number of shows, and adjusting the curtain times to make the late-night performances more convenient for patrons.

"We are excited with the response 'The Rocky Horror Show' received in its return last year and thrilled to be able to expand the performance schedule for 2017," says producer Stephen Kocis. "The Rocky Horror Show' has always been a great party show and has tremendous appeal to the Boomer Generation. The revised late-night schedule on weekends provides diehard 'Rocky Horror' fans a more convenient time to enjoy this wickedly fun musical at the Playhouse."

Randy Harrison, best known for the iconic role of Justin on Showtime's *Queer as Folk*, will make his Playhouse debut in the role of as Dr. Frank-n-Furter. The cast also includes several actors returning to "The Rocky Horror Show" from past Playhouse productions including Nick Adams as Rocky (Broadway's "Priscilla Queen of the Dessert," "La Cage aux Folles"), Nick Cearley as Brad (BCP's "Buyer and Cellar" and "The Skivvies"), Katie Anderson as Columbia (Northshore's "Beauty and the Beast") and Danielle Diniz as a Phantom (National Tour of "Dirty Dancing"). They are joined by Playhouse "Rocky" first-timers Catherine Ricafort as Janet (Broadway's "Honeymoon in Vegas" and "Holiday Inn"), Van Hughes as Riff Raff (Broadway's "American Idiot" and "Spring Awakening"), Olivia Griffin as Magenta, Jeff Hiller as Narrator/Dr. Scott/Eddy (Shakespeare in the Park's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," Broadway's "Bloody, Bloody Andrew Jackson") and Julian Ramos as a Phantom ("Freaky Friday").

The creative team includes David L. Arsnault (Scenic Design), Nicole V. Moody (Costume Design), Travis McHale (Lighting Design), Bart Fasbender (Sound Design). Musical Director is Will Shuler.

"The Rocky Horror Show," with book, music, and lyrics by Richard O'Brien, is a musical that inspired the 1975 classic cult film, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show." It follows innocent couple Brad and Janet as they seek shelter at a mysterious old castle on a dark and stormy night, where they encounter transvestite Dr. Frank N Furter, his "perfect" creation Rocky, and an assortment of other crazy creatures.

"The Rocky Horror Show" will run from Oct. 13 through Oct. 29 with select special late night showings. "The Rocky Horror Show" will play the following schedule: Oct. 13, Oct. 14, Oct. 20, Oct. 21, Oct. 27 and Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.; Oct. 15, Oct. 22 and Oct. 29 at 3 p.m., and Oct. 18, Oct. 19, Oct. 25 and Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets range from \$40 to \$70. Special discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. Special Time Warp seats are available and give 'Rocky' fans the ultimate experience, including front orchestra seating, a BCP prop bag and an invitation to come up on stage and dance the Time Warp with the cast.

For full details, and to purchase tickets, please visit buckscountyplyhouse.org, call 215-862-2121, or visit the box office at 70 South Main Street, New Hope, PA.