



TONY-AWARD-WINNING DEAR EVAN HANSEN ARRIVES IN MANILA THIS SEPTEMBER

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Manila – The critically acclaimed, Tony award-winning musical *Dear Evan Hansen* is finally making its way to the Philippines. Today, GMG Productions confirmed the run of the UK touring production of *Dear Evan Hansen*, bringing one of the most celebrated musicals of the past decade to Filipino audiences for the first time. This highly anticipated production is set to run this September 2025 at The Theatre at Solaire.

"Filipino audiences have been asking for Dear Evan Hansen for years, and we're beyond excited to finally bring this production to Manila," shares Carlos Candal, CEO of GMG Productions. "The story, music, and message of Dear Evan Hansen resonate so deeply with so many people, and we can't wait for Filipino fans to experience it live."

A Story That Speaks to a Generation

Dear Evan Hansen tells the story of Evan, an anxious high school student longing for a sense of belonging. When a misunderstanding spirals into something far bigger than he ever imagined, he faces an impossible decision: tell the truth and lose everything or embrace a lie that brings him closer to the life he has always dreamed of. As the story unfolds, Evan navigates the complexities of truth, connection, and self-acceptance in a world that often feels isolating.

The UK touring production of *Dear Evan Hansen* is produced by ATG Productions, Gavin Kalin Productions, and Nottingham Playhouse. Featuring music by the Emmy, Grammy, Tony, and Oscar-winning duo Benj Pasek and Justin Paul and a book by Steven Levenson, *Dear Evan Hansen* has been recognized as one of the most impactful musicals of the past decade. It has won four Tony Awards, including Best Musical, the Olivier Award for Best New Musical, and the Grammy Award for Best Musical Theatre Album.

Director Adam Penford also shares, *"Dear Evan Hansen has thrilled audiences on both sides of the Atlantic since it first premiered in 2016. Evan's powerful story grips and moves people told through a captivating script and musical score. This exciting UK and International tour production offers the opportunity to reexamine some of its contemporary themes and present this brand-new version to more people."*

A Global Hit Arrives in Manila

Since its Broadway debut in 2016, *Dear Evan Hansen* has touched the hearts of audiences across the globe, earning praise for its powerful themes and performances. The New York Times called it *"a breathtaking knockout of a musical,"* while The Washington Post hailed it as *"one of the most remarkable shows in musical theater history."*

Critics have also praised the UK tour production, with WhatsOnStage raving, *"Voices you could listen to for forever,"* Birmingham Mail calling it *"truly breathtaking,"* and Nottingham Post declaring it



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"one of the most relevant, compelling, thought-provoking musicals I've seen... and it's also hugely entertaining."

Be Part of the Experience

Dear Evan Hansen will run this September 2025 at the Theatre at Solaire, with the Manila season presented by GMG Productions. Tickets will officially go on sale this April 15 exclusively via TicketWorld. Theatre fans can also enjoy early access through UnionBank of the Philippines, GMG Productions' official 2025 season bank sponsor and pre-sale partner, or join the GMG *Dear Evan Hansen* waitlist at www.gmg-productions.com. The pre-sale period runs from April 8 to 14.

Stay updated on upcoming productions by visiting www.gmg-productions.com or following @gmg.productions on social media.

ABOUT THE SHOW

Dear Evan Hansen tells the story of Evan Hansen, an anxious high school student longing for a sense of belonging. When a misunderstanding spirals into something much bigger than he ever imagined, he is faced with an impossible decision: tell the truth and lose everything, or embrace a lie that brings him closer to the life he always dreamed of.

Dear Evan Hansen features a book by Steven Levenson and music by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul. The ATG Productions, Gavin Kalin Productions, and Nottingham Playhouse UK tour production is directed by Adam Penford, with set and costume design by Morgan Large, choreography by Carrie-Anne Ingrouille, lighting design by Matt Daw, sound design by Tom Marshall, and video design by Ravi Deepres—musical supervision by Matt Smith, with musical direction by Michael Bradley. Casting is by Natalie Gallacher CDG for Pippa Ailion & Natalie Gallacher Casting, with Michelle Payne as associate director and Laura Llewellyn-Jones as orchestral manager.

Dear Evan Hansen is presented through a special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com.

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The Theatre at Solaire
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ABOUT GMG PRODUCTIONS

GMG Productions (GMGP), headquartered in Manila, is recognized globally as a leading name in the Asia Pacific's theatrical landscape. With a legacy spanning over 15 years, the GMGP team has consistently elevated Manila's entertainment scene, presenting iconic productions such as Andrew Lloyd Webber's CATS, Royal Shakespeare Company's MATILDA the Musical, and The Phantom of the Opera alongside crowd-favorite productions like The Sound of Music, We Will Rock You in Manila and Singapore, and an Australian/ New Zealand tour of Madagascar the Musical.

In 2023, GMGP made history by hosting the Asian Premiere of the Tony®, Grammy®, Olivier, and Pulitzer Prize-winning musical HAMILTON in Manila, staying true to their commitment to bringing world-class theatrical



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experiences to Filipino audiences. With a diverse portfolio and partnerships with Broadway and West End giants, GMGP remains a driving force in the world of live entertainment. Most recently, GMGP served as the local presenter of Cameron Mackintosh's new production of *Miss Saigon* and the Tony® award winner, *SIX the Musical*. Follow GMG Productions at @gmg.productions.

ABOUT NOTTINGHAM PLAYHOUSE

Nottingham Playhouse is dedicated to making bold and thrilling world-class theatre, proudly made in Nottingham. In 2023, it was named the UK's Most Welcoming Theatre in the UK Theatre Awards. Nottingham Playhouse is one of the country's leading producing theatres, renowned for creating ambitious and diverse productions, many of which have toured across the UK and have transferred to the West End and Broadway.

The theatre's acclaimed participation programme creates life-changing experiences for the local community and its Theatre of Sanctuary status ensures it is a space where everyone feels they belong. Nottingham Playhouse nurtures the next generation of theatre-makers through their dynamic artist support program, Amplify. Recently awarded a Silver Carbon Literacy standard, Nottingham Playhouse is committed to continually improving its sustainability standards across productions and its Grade II* listed building. For more information about Nottingham Playhouse visit www.nottinghamplayhouse.co.uk

ABOUT GAVIN KALIN PRODUCTIONS

Gavin Kalin Productions is an award-winning theatrical production company that specializes in producing theatre in the West End, on Broadway, and internationally. Recent West End credits include *Sunset Boulevard*, *Vanya*, *A Little Life*, *Streetcar Named Desire*, *Cabaret* at the Kit Kat Club, *Back to the Future*, *Cyrano*, *Betrayal*, *9 to 5 The Musical*, *Pretty Woman The Musical*, *Come From Away*, *Pinter at the Pinter*, *Oslo*, and *The Ferryman*. Recent Broadway credits include *Sunset Boulevard*, *Cabaret* at the Kit Kat Club, *A Doll's House*, *Plaza Suite*, *Betrayal*, *Leopoldstadt*, *Funny Girl*, *Sea Wall/ A Life*, and *The Ferryman*. Other entertainment: Monopoly Lifesized, London and the Paddington Bear Experience, London For more information, visit gavinkalinproductions.com

Gavin is also the founder of Totally Theatre Productions Ltd, a TV/Video production company that specializes in producing Broadcast and online content for theatre and live entertainment. Clients are worldwide with many in the West End and on Broadway. For more information, visit totallytheatreproductions.com

ABOUT ATG PRODUCTIONS

ATG Productions is the award-winning producing and general management arm of the world's largest live theatre company, ATG Entertainment – dedicated to producing critically acclaimed, commercially successful, and creatively ambitious work for the West End, Broadway and beyond. Led by Adam Speers, Richard Darbourne and Zareen Walker, we place partnerships and creative excellence at our core.

CURRENT & UPCOMING PRODUCTIONS: the seven-time Olivier Award-winning *Cabaret* at the Kit Kat Club (Playhouse Theatre/ August Wilson Theatre, Broadway); *Sunset Boulevard* starring Nicole Scherzinger (St. James Theatre, Broadway); *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button* (Ambassadors Theatre); *A Streetcar Named Desire* starring Paul Mescal (Noël Coward Theatre/Brooklyn Academy of Music, New York); *Dear Evan Hansen* (UK Tour); the Olivier award-winning Best New Musical *Sunny Afternoon* (UK Tour); *Dolly: An Original Musical* the new Dolly Parton musical (The Fisher Center for the Performing Arts, Nashville) and *Waiting for Godot* starring Keanu Reeves and Alex Winter (Broadway).

RECENT PRODUCTIONS & CO-PRODUCTIONS: *Barcelona* starring Lily Collins and Álvaro Morte (Duke of York's Theatre); the official KC and the Sunshine Band musical, *Who Do Ya Love?* (Edinburgh); *Player Kings* starring Ian McKellen (West End/UK Tour); *I Should Be So Lucky: The Official Stock Aitken Waterman Musical* (UK Tour); *Plaza Suite* starring Matthew Broderick and Sarah Jessica Parker (West End/Broadway); *Harry Clarke* starring Billy Crudup (West End); *Sunset Boulevard* starring Nicole Scherzinger (West End); *A Streetcar Named Desire* starring Paul Mescal (West End); *A Doll's House* starring Jessica Chastain (Broadway); *Pretty Woman The Musical* (West End/UK Tour/Zurich); *Mother Goose* starring Ian McKellen and John Bishop (West End/UK Tour); *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button* (Southwark Playhouse); *The Doctor* (West End); *Dear Evan Hansen* (West End); *Mad House* (West End); the Olivier Award-winning *Cyrano de Bergerac* (West End/Glasgow/New York); *The Seagull* (West End); *Fatal Attraction* (UK Tour); *9 to 5 the Musical* (West End/UK Tour/Australia); *Ian McKellen On Stage* (West End/UK Tour/Broadway) and the Olivier Award-winning *Caroline, or Change* (West End/Broadway). For more information, visit atg-productions.com



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