

12 – 14 Oct 2012, Fri – Sun, 8pm

\$28*, \$48**, \$68

Limited concessions for students, NSFs and senior citizens: \$18*, \$38**

13 Oct, Sat, 3pm

\$18*, \$38**, \$58

Limited concessions for students, NSFs and senior citizen: \$10*, \$28**

School Special: \$10

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Esplanade Theatre

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www.celebratinglife.com.sg


www.esplanade.com/NBC

Dedicated to You

Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay opened our doors on 12 Oct 2002. 10 years on, as a reflection of Singapore's growing confidence and maturity, and as an inspiration for the future, we mark the occasion of our birthday by celebrating the arts and artists in Singapore.

Our anniversary weekend from 11–14 Oct 2012 is *Dedicated to You* — the people who have dedicated their lives to the arts in Singapore and the audiences with whom we have journeyed. From paying tribute to those that have built our arts scene, to inviting artists to share their moving journeys, this special weekend consists entirely of new productions that have been commissioned just for you.

Join us as we chart the development of NBC via our website and Facebook.

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Another *Esplanade Presents* Programme



NATIONAL BROADWAY COMPANY

CONCEIVED, WRITTEN & DIRECTED BY
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Anniversary Partner



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Music Director Iskandar Ismail
Choreographer Zaini Mohd Tahir

Scenic Designer Myung Hee Cho
Lighting Designer Scott Zielinski
Costume Designer Kaye Voyce

Associate Director Lok Meng Chue

Sound Designer Shah Tahir
Hair/Wig Designer Ashley Lim
Make-up Designer The Make Up Room

Choral Mistress Babes Conde

Executive Producer Tay Tong



It is sometime in the near future of Singapore. The National Broadway Company (NBC) has been established and the search for the Artistic Director is on. Amongst those vying for the position is the who's who of Singapore's theatre industry. From hairdresser to entertainment icon to deputy public prosecutor to politician, the story of the pioneering musical theatre in Singapore unfolds as they sing their hearts to the top.

Based on specially conducted interviews with Dick Lee, Pamela Oei, Michael Chiang, Jacintha Abisheganaden, Ivan Heng, Koh Chieng Mun, Najip Ali, Eleanor Wong and Hossan Leong, this production features characters inspired by these artists' personal stories and recollections, performed by a cast of both young emerging talents as well as established artists.

With celebrated songs from Singapore's favourite musicals composed by Dick Lee, Ken Low & Mark Chan, such as **Beauty World**, **Fried Rice Paradise**, **Chang and Eng**, **Haunted**, **Mortal Sins**, and **Forbidden City**, laughter and tears are never far away. Personal tragedy, individual strife, comic turns and artistic triumph are the stuff of dreams. *National Broadway Company* reflects on the search for Singapore identity that was prevalent in the first musicals and gives us a glimpse into the future.

National Broadway Company is conceptualised and directed by Cultural Medallion winner Ong Keng Sen, Artistic Director of TheatreWorks, who after 15 years of international productions encompassing music theatre and opera, returns to the Singapore musical, a form that he pioneered in 1988.

(Approx. 2hr 30mins, including 20min intermission)

**You get to decide
who becomes the new
Artistic Director of the
National Broadway Company**
— come to the performance and
vote for your favourite candidate!

Front cover photo by Wesley Loh

CANDIDATES

| | | |
|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| Amanda Tee | as | Noorlinah Mohd |
| Aw Yeong Peng Mun | as | Ashley Lim |
| Benjamin Kheng | as | Dick Lee |
| Chua Enlai | as | Ong Keng Sen |
| Denise Tan | as | Pamela Oei |
| Dwayne Tan | as | Robin Goh |
| Erwin Shah | as | Najip Ali |
| Gani Abdul Karim | as | Lulu |
| Glory Ngim | as | Eleanor Wong |
| Jacintha Abisheganaden | as | Jacintha Abisheganaden |
| John Lee | as | Michael Chiang |
| Jonathan Lum | as | Ivan Heng |
| Julia Abueva | as | Emma Yong |
| Karen Tan | as | Koh Chieng Mun |
| Leena Salim | as | Gani Abdul Karim |
| Lim Yu Beng | as | Alec Tok |
| Rayve Tay | as | Hossan Leong |
| Tabitha Nausar | as | Jacintha Abisheganaden |

**and featuring
Dick Lee as The Host**

NBC DANCERS

Chang Yao Chung
Elle-May Patterson
Farah Dawood
Francesca Harriman
Gino Babagay
Hafeez Hassan
Jackie Ong
Jennifer Pau
Lei Hoi
Liz Fong
Lu Wit Chin
Marie Shirl
Natalyn Goh
Samantha Kan
Tay Wei Liang
Trev Neo
Zhang Minggao

