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 **SLOW BURN THEATRE COMPANY ANNOUNCES 2025/2026 SEASON**

*Five musicals will be presented at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts*

**FORT LAUDERDALE** – In the midst of a season filled with stunning performances and during a year in which the company topped the list of Carbonell award winners, Slow Burn Theatre Company announces its most exciting season to date, featuring five red-hot hits that will delight and thrill South Florida audiences with stories of ambition, identity and resilience: “Catch Me If You Can;” “Disney’s Frozen;” “Beautiful, The Carole King Musical;” “Hairspray;” and “Alanis Morisette’s Jagged Little Pill.” The 2025/2026 season is presented with support from American National Bank and Visit Lauderdalein the Amaturo Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts**.**

“During our 2025-2026 season, we are excited to present a thrilling mix of bold, talked about productions with powerful, socially relevant storylines,” said Slow Burn Theatre Artistic Director Patrick Fitzwater. “Each production is characterized by a strong narrative with dynamic characters, memorable music and widespread audience appeal. These productions will entertain, provoke discussion and create a sense of heartwarming nostalgia when it is most needed.”

Subscriptions to the five-show season go on sale Monday, February 24, with tickets to individual performances going on sale Saturday, June 7.

Based on the hit DreamWorks Motion Picture, **“Catch Me If You Can”** opens the season **October 11 – 26** withthe high-flying musical comedy about chasing your dreams and not getting caught. Nominated for four Tony Awards, including Best Musical, this delightfully entertaining show was created by a Tony Award-winning dream team, with a book by Terrence McNally, music by Marc Shaiman and lyrics by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman. Seeking fame and fortune, precocious teenager and globe-trotting con artist, Frank Abagnale, Jr., runs away from home to begin an unforgettable adventure. With nothing more than his boyish charm, a big imagination and millions of dollars in forged checks, Frank successfully poses as a pilot, a doctor and a lawyer, living the high life and winning the girl of his dreams. When Frank's lies catch the attention of FBI agent Carl Hanratty, Carl pursues Frank across the country to make him pay for his crimes.

**“Disney’s Frozen”** brings the winter chill to South Florida just in time for the holidays **December 13 – 28**. For the first time in forever, South Florida audiences will experience the musical phenomenon that has taken the world by storm. Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature film, “Disney’s Frozen” includes all the film’s beloved songs by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, along with new music written exclusively for the stage. “Frozen” is a powerful tale of sisterhood, acceptance and finding the real meaning of true love. Filled with spectacular special effects, a lush musical score, stunning sets and costumes and powerhouse performances, “Frozen” is everything you want in a musical. It’s moving. It’s spectacular. And above all, it’s pure joy. Music and lyrics are by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, with a book by Jennifer Lee. The musical is based on the Disney film written by Jennifer Lee and directed by Chris Buck and Jennifer Lee. The original Broadway production of “Frozen” was directed by Michael Grandage and produced by Disney Theatrical Productions.

Music lovers will have something to sing about this Valentine’s Day when **“Beautiful, The Carole King Musical”** brings its beloved, soulful and emotionally resonant story to audiences **February 14 - March 1**. The inspiring true story of Carole King's journey from teenage songwriter to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame is a Tony and Grammy Award-winning musical phenomenon filled with the songs people remember and a story they’ll never forget. From the chart-topping hits she wrote for the biggest acts in music to her own life-changing, trailblazing success with “Tapestry,” “Beautiful: The Carole King Musical” takes audiences on the ride of a lifetime, back to where it all began. With words and music by Gerry Goffin, Carole King, Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil, a book by Douglas McGrath and music by arrangement with Sony Music Publishing, “Beautiful” features unforgettable classics including "You've Got a Friend," "One Fine Day," "So Far Away," "Take Good Care of My Baby," "Up on the Roof," "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling," "Will You Love Me Tomorrow" and "Natural Woman.”

Big heart, big voices and big energy come wrapped in infectious music and dance when **“Hairspray”** hits the stage **April 11 – 26**. Winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, this big and bold musical about one girl's inspiring dream to dance is piled bouffant-high with laughter, romance and deliriously tuneful songs. It’s 1962 in Baltimore and lovable, plus-size teen Tracy Turnblad has only one desire: to dance on the popular "Corny Collins Show." When her dream comes true, Tracy is transformed from social outcast to sudden star. She must use her newfound power to dethrone the reigning Teen Queen, win the affections of heartthrob Link Larkin, and integrate a TV network, all without denting her 'do! Based on the New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters, “Hairspray” features a book by Thomas Meehan and Mark O’Donnell, music by Marc Shaiman and lyrics by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman.

The 2025/2026 season culminates with the emotionally raw and thought-provoking **“Alanis Morisette’s Jagged Little Pill: The Musical” June 13 – 28**. Winner of two Tony Awards, two Drama Desk Awards, eight Outer Critics Circle Awards and a Grammy Award for Best Musical Theater Album, “Alanis Morissette's Jagged Little Pill: The Musical” is an exhilarating new musical inspired by the themes and raw emotions laid bare in Alanis Morissette's seminal album of the same name. The Healys appear to be a picture-perfect suburban family, but looks can be deceiving. When cracks beneath the surface begin to show, they must choose between maintaining the status quo or facing harsh truths about themselves, their community and the world around them.

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Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center and The Parker. Buy tickets online at [BrowardCenter.org](http://BrowardCenter.org), or [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com); by phone at 954.462.0222; in person at the Broward Center’s AutoNation Box Office.

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located at 201 SW Fifth Ave. in Fort Lauderdale. For more information visit [BrowardCenter.org](https://www.browardcenter.org/), like us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/BrowardCenter](https://www.facebook.com/browardcenter/) and [Facebook.com/BrowardCenterEducation](https://www.facebook.com/browardcentereducation/), follow us on Twitter and Instagram @BrowardCenter, subscribe to our channel at [YouTube.com/user/BrowardCenter](https://www.youtube.com/user/BrowardCenter) and join the conversation with #BrowardCenter.

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About The Broward Center for the Performing Arts

One of America’s premier performing arts venues, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts presents more than 850 performances each year to more than 600,000 patrons, displaying a wide range of exciting cultural programming and events. Guest experiences at the Broward Center include the all-inclusive Spirit Club Level, the Nicklaus Children’s Health System Intermezzo Lounge, special events in the Huizenga Pavilion, waterfront dining at Marti’s New River Bistro and innovative classes and workshops for all ages at the Rose Miniaci Arts Education Center. With one of the largest arts-in-education programs in the United States, the Broward Center serves more than 100,000 students annually. The Broward Center also manages The Parker, an iconic Fort Lauderdale venue, the Rose & Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center on the campus of Nova Southeastern University and the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center in Miami-Dade County. The Broward Performing Arts Foundation, Inc. receives and maintains funds to sustain, develop and secure the future of the Broward Center. The Broward Center is located at 201 SW Fifth Ave. in Fort Lauderdale, FL. For more information, visit [BrowardCenter.org](https://www.browardcenter.org/events/detail/ed-calle-2022).

**About Slow Burn Theatre Company**

Founded in 2009 by Patrick Fitzwater and Matthew Korinko, Slow Burn Theatre Company is one of South Florida’s leading professional musical theater organizations, celebrated for its bold productions and fearless creativity. With a mission to bring high-quality, thought-provoking, and entertaining performances to life, Slow Burn has earned a reputation for pushing boundaries and delivering dynamic interpretations of beloved musicals alongside lesser-known gems. Based at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Slow Burn Theatre Company offers an extraordinary theatrical experience that combines impeccable artistry, live music, and an unparalleled commitment to storytelling. The company has grown exponentially over its history, evolving from an ambitious grassroots effort to a cornerstone of South Florida’s cultural scene, thanks to the dedication of its founders, talented artists, and loyal supporters. Now in its 15th anniversary season, Slow Burn Theatre Company celebrates a legacy of innovation, resilience, and community connection. From intimate stages to grand productions, Slow Burn continues to inspire audiences with its passion for the arts and commitment to making theater accessible to all.For more information, visit Slow Burn Theatre Company’s website at <http://slowburntheatre.org/>.

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