

## Fugard Theatre brings *Kinky Boots* to SA in 2019

Eric Abraham and the Fugard Theatre will bring the musical *Kinky Boots* to South African audiences in 2019. The South African production of *Kinky Boots* will run at the Fugard Theatre in Cape Town from 11 June-31 October 2019.

Inspired by true events, *Kinky Boots* was first brought to life on the big screen in 2005 before being transformed into a hit musical, winning six Tony and three Olivier Awards. It features a Tony-winning score by Cyndi Lauper and a book by four-time Tony winner Harvey Fierstein. Winner of the Tony Award for Best Musical, Tony Award for Best Original Score, Tony Award for Best Choreography, and Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Musical, the musical has played to sold-out houses on Broadway and in the West End since 2013.



Charlie Price has reluctantly inherited his father's shoe factory, Price & Son, which is on the verge of bankruptcy. Trying to live up to his father's legacy and save his family business, Charlie finds inspiration in the form of Lola, a fabulous entertainer in need of some sturdy stilettos. As they work to turn the factory around, this unlikely pair finds that they have more in common than they ever dreamed possible, and discover that when you change your mind about someone, you can change your whole world.

The Fugard Theatre's *Kinky Boots* is brought to you by the same creative team behind the Fugard Theatre productions of *The Rocky Horror Show*, *Cabaret*, *Funny Girl*, and *West Side Story*. The direction is by Matthew Wild, musical direction by Charl-Johan Lingenfelder, and choreography by Louisa Talbot. Costume design is by Birrie Le Roux, set design by Paul Wills, and lighting design by Tim Mitchell, while Mark Malherbe handles sound design.

“We are honoured to be presenting the South African premiere, created by an all-star team, of this hit musical that has captured the hearts of international audiences,” says Daniel Galloway, executive director of the Fugard Theatre. “*Kinky Boots* has it all - a beautiful story of hope, inspiration and friendship, combined with fabulous music, glittering costumes, breathtaking choreography and plenty of heart. We cannot wait to welcome our audiences to this Fugard Theatre original production of an International smash hit.”

Tickets go on sale from 20 August 2018 and may be booked directly through the Fugard Theatre box office on 021 461 4554 or through the Fugard Theatre’s website at [www.thefugard.com](http://www.thefugard.com).

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