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CAST AND DESIGN TEAM ANNOUNCED!

**JEFF DANIELS,
CELIA KEENAN-BOLGER, WILL PULLEN, GIDEON GLICK,
LATANYA RICHARDSON JACKSON,
STARK SANDS, FRED WELLER, ERIN WILHELMI,
DAKIN MATTHEWS, GBENGA AKINNAGBE,
STEPHEN MCKINLEY HENDERSON,
PHYLLIS SOMERVILLE, LIV ROTH
WILL STAR IN**

AARON SORKIN'S NEW PLAY, BASED ON

**HARPER LEE'S
PULITZER PRIZE-WINNING AMERICAN CLASSIC
"TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD"
DIRECTED BY BARTLETT SHER**

**PREVIEWS BEGIN THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1
OPENING NIGHT IS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13**

Jeff Daniels, Celia Keenan-Bolger, Will Pullen, Gideon Glick, LaTanya Richardson Jackson, Stark Sands, Fred Weller, Erin Wilhelmi, Dakin Matthews, Gbenga Akinnagbe, Stephen McKinley Henderson, Phyllis Somerville, and Liv Rooth will star on Broadway this fall in Academy Award winner Aaron Sorkin's new play, based on Harper Lee's classic Pulitzer Prize-winning novel *TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD*. The play will be directed by Tony Award winner Bartlett Sher. *TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD*, which is produced by Scott Rudin and Lincoln Center Theater (André Bishop, Producing Artistic Director), will begin previews Thursday, November 1 and open on Thursday, December 13 at a theatre to be announced. Additional casting will be announced shortly.

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD will have scenic design by Miriam Buether, costume design by Ann Roth, lighting design by Jennifer Tipton, sound design by Scott Lehrer, and an original score by Adam Guettel.

Based on an event that occurred in Alabama in the 1930s, Harper Lee's enduring story of racial injustice and the destruction of childhood innocence centers on one of the most beloved and admired characters in American literature, the small-town lawyer Atticus Finch, to be played by Jeff Daniels. The unforgettable cast of players includes Atticus's daughter Scout (Celia Keenan-Bolger), her brother Jem (Will Pullen), their visiting friend Dill (Gideon Glick), and their mysterious neighbor, the reclusive Arthur "Boo" Radley. The other indelible residents of Maycomb, Alabama will be brought to life on stage by LaTanya Richardson Jackson (as the Finch's housekeeper, Calpurnia), Dakin Matthews (as Judge Taylor), Stark Sands (playing prosecutor Horace Gilmer), Fred Weller and Erin Wilhelmi (as Bob Ewell and his daughter Mayella Ewell), and Gbenga Akinnagbe (playing Tom Robinson).

Written during the early stages of the Civil Rights Movement—at a time when Jim Crow laws were still in effect in many Southern states—and first published in 1960, "To Kill a Mockingbird" held up a mirror to the ingrained culture of racism in the Deep South. Harper Lee's debut novel was an immediate and astonishing success, winning the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, with editions published in ten languages within a year of its release. The book, considered one of the greatest classics of

modern literature, became a global phenomenon, with more than 50 million copies in print to date, second only to the Bible in the number of extant copies printed during the lifetime of the novel. "To Kill a Mockingbird" has moved readers around the world for well over half a century, with editions thus far published in over 40 languages --- including Persian, Dutch, Norwegian, Russian, Vietnamese, Armenian, Chinese, and Esperanto.

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