

**FROM WEST END TO “RAINBOW TOUR”**

**TIM RICE** and **ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER’S**

 **WORLD RENOWNED MUSICAL MASTERPIECE**

**EVITA**

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***‘STUNNING’*** Mark Shenton

After 10 years in the UK and two West End seasons***, Evita*** is captivating audiences across the world as it continues on an International and UK tour in 2018. Having already visited **Luxembourg** and the **United Arab Emirates**, the story of an ordinary woman’s meteoric rise to power at a time of extraordinary political unrest is about to embark on a tour of the **UK** and **Italy,** opening at Torquay Princess Theatre on the 13 March.

Returning to the role of Eva Perón is **Madalena Alberto**,a role she received critical-acclaim for at London’s Dominion Theatre in 2014. Considered as one of the West End’s prominent leading ladies, Madalena is renowned for some of the most coveted roles in musical theatre, including Fantine in *Les Miserábles* (25th Anniversary Tour, The Barbican, 02 Arena), Grizabella in *Cat*s (London Palladium) and the title role in *Piaf* (Leicester Curve). Her most recent credits include The Ghost of Christmas Past in *A Christmas Carol* (Lyceum Theatre), Polly in *Pollyanna* (Tristan Bates Theatre) and a guest lead in BBC’s *Holby City.* Alongside her acting career, Madalena is a songwriter and performs solo concerts regularly.

Fresh from the recent West End production in July 2017, leading Italian performer **Gian Marco Schiaretti** will continue in the role of Che, a character who reflects the voice of the Argentine people. Linked to Eva by destiny; he brings balance to the story of Eva’s rise to fame. Gian’s most recently played the title role of Tarzan in Disney’s Musical *Tarzan*, in Stuttgart. Prior to this he played Mercutio in *Romeo and Juliet* across Italy.

Leading London and Broadway performer **Jeremy Secomb** joins the cast of ***Evita*** as Juan Perón. Jeremy most recently starred in the theatre production of *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street* (Barrow Street Theatre) in the title role on Broadway, previous to which he played Javert in *Les Miserables* (Queens Theatre) and Phantom in *The Phantom of the Opera* (Her Majesty's Theatre).

The cast is completed by: **Oscar Balmaseda** (Magaldi); **Cristina Hoey** (Mistress); **Kellie Gnauck** (Ensemble); **Bethan Jacks** (Ensemble); **Samuel John Humphreys** (Ensemble); **Benjamin McMillan** (Ensemble); **Verity Burgess** (Ensemble); **Riva Grant** (Ensemble); **Callum Fitzgerald** (Ensemble); **Joe McCourt** (Ensemble); **Emmanuel Alba** (Ensemble); **Yuval Zoref** (Ensemble); **Oliver Slade** (Ensemble); **Jessica Ellen** (Ensemble); **Kirsty Whelan** (Ensemble); **Anthony Ray** (Ensemble); and **Mike Ward** (Ensemble).

Telling the story of Eva Perón, wife of former Argentine dictator Juan Perón, ***Evita*** follows Eva’s journey, which ultimately led her to be heralded as the ‘spiritual leader of the nation’ by the Argentine people.

With more than 20 major awards to its credit, an Oscar winning film version starring Madonna and Antonio Banderas, and featuring some of the best loved songs in musical theatre, including *Don’t Cry for Me Argentina*, *On This Night of a Thousand Stars*, *You Must Love Me*, and *Another Suitcase in Another Hall;* Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber’s extraordinary musical ***Evita*** is an iconic classic not to be missed!

**LISTINGS**

***EVITA***

Lyrics by TIM RICE

Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

Directed by Bob Tomson and Bill Kenwright

Designed by Matthew Wright

Choreographed by Bill Deamer

Sound Design by Dan Samson

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**DATES & VENUES**

**DUBAI OPERA HOUSE dubaiopera.com**

Mon 22 Jan – Sat 3 Feb +971 4 440 8888

Evening Performance: 8pm

Friday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**TORQUAY PRINCESS THEATRE atgtickets.com/torquay**

Tues 13 – Sat 17 Mar 0844 871 3023

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**BIRMINGHAM HIPPODROME birminghamhippodrome.com**

Tues 20 – Sat 24 Mar 0844 338 5000

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**TRURO HALL FOR CORNWALL hallforcornwall.co.uk**

Tues 27 – Sat 31 Mar 01872 262 466

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**SHREWSBURY THEATRE SEVERN theatresevern.co.uk**

Tues 03 – Sat 07 April 01743 281 281

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**SWANSEA GRAND THEATRE Swansea.gov.uk/swanseagrandtheatre**

Tues 10 – Sat 14 April 01792 475 715

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**CHESTER STORYHOUSE storyhouse.com**

Tues 17 – Sat 21 April 01244 409 113

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**BRADFORD ALHAMBRA bradford-theatres.co.uk**

Tues 23 – Sat 28 April 01274 432 000

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**TURIN TEARTRO REGIO TORINO teatroregio.torino.it**

Fri 04 – Wed 9 May +39 011 881 5557

Monday – Saturday: 8pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

Sunday Matinee: 3pm

**GLASGOW KINGS THEATRE atgtickets.com/Glasgow**

Tues 14 – Sat 19 May 0844 871 7648

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**NEWCASTLE THEATRE ROYAL theatreroyal.co.uk**

Tues 22 – Sat 26 May 0844 811 2121

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**GRIMSBY AUDITORIUM grimsbyauditorium.org.uk**

Tues 29 May – Sat 02 June 0300 300 0035

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

*\*Casting still to be confirmed for the following dates:*

**WOKING New Victoria Theatre atgtickets.com/woking**

Tues 17 – Sat 21 July 0844 871 7645

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**BROMLEY Churchill Theatre churchilltheatre.co.uk**

Tues 24 – Sat 28 July 020 3285 6000

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**BELFAST Grand Opera House** **goh.co.uk**

Tues 31 July – St 11 August 028 9024 1919

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**PLYMOUTH Theatre Royal theatreroyal.com**

Tues 13 – Sat 18 August 01752 267 222

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**BOURNEMOUTH Pavilion Theatre bournemouthpavilion.co.uk**

Tues 21 – Sat 25 August 01202 055 660Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

 **CARDIFF Wales Millennium Centre wmc.org.uk**

Tues 26 Aug – Sat 1 September 029 2063 6464

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**CRAWLEY Hawth Theatre parkwoodtheatres.co.uk/the-hawth**

Tues 18 – Sat 22 September 01293 553 636

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**COVENTRY Belgrade Theatre Belgrade.co.uk**

Tues 25 – Sat 29 September 02476553055

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**LONDONDERRY Millennium Forum millenniumforum.co.uk**

Tues 9 – Sat 13 October 028 7126 4455

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**ABERDEEN His Majesty’s Theatre aberdeenperformingarts.com**

Tues 16 – Sat 20 October 01224 641 122

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**HIGH WYCOMBE Swan Theatre wycombeswan.co.uk**

Tues 22 – Sat 27 October 01494 512 000

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**BRIGHTON Theatre Royal atgtickets.com/brighton**

Tues 29 Oct – Sat 3 November 0844 871 7650

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**HULL New Theatre hulltheatres.co.uk**

Tues 5 – Sat 10 November 01482 300 306

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

**SOUTHSEA Kings Theatre kingsportsmouth.co.uk**

Tues 13 – Sat 17 Nov 023 9282 8282

Evening Performance: 7:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Matinee: 2:30pm

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