



**WORLD PREMIERE, FLORIDA STAGE, 2009
CANADIAN PREMIERE, 2010**

**A HIGH-STEPPING NEW MUSICAL
ABOUT THE SCREEN'S GREATEST TOUGH-GUY.**

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Cagney! is a high-stepping, explosive new musical about legendary star and the screen's greatest tough-guy, James Cagney. Cagney! follows the actor from his humble beginnings in New York City's Lower East Side through his rise as a vaudeville song-and-dance man to his superstardom in Hollywood. Filled with show-stopping song and dance numbers from Yankee Doodle Dandy, The Seven Little Foys and many others, Cagney! is a toe-tapping musical tribute that has left audiences cheering.

Book by Peter Colley

Music & Lyrics by Robert Creighton and Christopher McGovern

And featuring the music of George M. Cohan (Yankee Doodle Dandy, Grand Old Flag, and more!)



2010 WINNER "Best New Work" (Play or Musical)

CAGNEY! continued...

"As a biographical musical, *Cagney!* is pure entertainment... the audience lifted in an uproarious cheer... a wonderful production! Robert Creighton, who plays Cagney, was made for the stage, with his energy, stage presence and ability to make it all look so darned easy. This man is a huge talent and one to watch." **Valerie Hill, *The Record***

"The story of Jimmy Cagney is fascinating in itself, but this musical adds to that with great songs, excellent dance, and humourous one-liners scattered throughout. Those who are fans of Vaudeville style entertainment and old black-and-white movies will enjoy this show. And those who think James Cagney was just a dirty rat must see it." **Mary Alderson, *The Beat* "Dazzling! A perfect musical bound for Broadway" *Florida Sun-Sentinel***

"Earnest, energetic... crowd pleasing... showstoppers (with) pure hallelujah moments. Skyrocket work from Creighton... Cagney clearly has a future." **Variety**

"Cagney! has several things going for it, not the least of which is that the audience goes crazy for the show... wild cheers and applause." **Miami Herald (*Critic's Pick*)**

"Cagney! is a magnificent musical that is guaranteed to put a great big grin on your face." **Miami Art Zine**

"Cagney! premiere is compelling musical theater. A shining example of what The Florida Stage can do when all the pieces fall into place." **Palm Beach Daily News**

"This new and exciting world premiere musical is creating a stir in the theatrical community. Great musical theater... standing ovation from the entire audience." **Daily Press**

"Dancing dynamo: James Cagney show top flight! Robert Creighton, a veteran Broadway actor, plays Cagney as if he were shot out of a cannon... a high-stepping musical that should delight theatergoers. ... inspired tap-dancing numbers." **Palm Beach Post**

"One of the most impressive tribute musicals which have emerged in recent years. One can visualize this musical off-Broadway or making the rounds of professional theatre nationwide." **Florida Media News**