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Marlborough Native to Star in National Broadway Production of The Addams Family at The Hanover Theatre June 7-9, 2013

Worcester, MA—May 9, 2013—The national tour of the new musical THE ADDAMS FAMILY, based on the bizarre and beloved family of characters created by legendary cartoonist Charles Addams, will make its premiere at The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts in Worcester for five performances, June 7-9, 2013 as part of the 2012-2013 Broadway Series. The national production stars local performer and Marlborough native, Jennifer Fogarty as Wednesday, the lovable “princess of darkness” in this delightful new musical comedy. Performance times include Friday, June 7 at 8pm; Saturday, June 8 at 2pm and 8pm; and Sunday, June 9 at 1pm and 6:30pm. Tickets are on sale now.

THE ADDAMS FAMILY, which began performances in March 2010 at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre and ran through December 2011, immediately became one of Broadway’s biggest hits. Chris Jones of the *Chicago Tribune* described the production as “classic, full-tilt, fast paced, old-fashioned musical comedy!” and John Simon of *Bloomberg News* called it “uproarious! A glitzy-gloomy musical entirely worthy of the macabre drawings by Charles Addams.”

THE ADDAMS FAMILY features a book by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice, and music and lyrics by Andrew Lippa. The production is directed by Jerry Zaks with choreography by Sergio Trujillo. Production design (sets and costumes) by Phelim McDermott and Julian Crouch with set adaptations by James Kronzer. The production features lighting design by Natasha Katz, sound design by Craig Cassidy and puppetry by Basil Twist.

THE ADDAMS FAMILY features an original story and it's every father's nightmare. Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family. A man her parents have never met. And if that weren't upsetting enough, she confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he's never done before - keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's "normal" boyfriend and his parents.

In a prolific career spanning six decades, Charles Addams created several thousand cartoons, sketches and drawings, many of which were published in *The New Yorker*. But it was his creation of characters that came to be known as The Addams Family that brought Addams his greatest acclaim. With a unique style that combined the twisted, macabre and just plain weird with charm, wit and enchantment, Addams' drawings have entertained millions worldwide and served as the inspiration for multiple television series and motion pictures.

THE ADDAMS FAMILY tour for North America is produced by Phoenix Entertainment, Stephen B. Kane and

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Michael McFadden, by special arrangement with Theatrical Rights Worldwide. International productions have been announced for Brazil (March, 2012) and Australia (March, 2013) with others to be announced shortly.

For more information, visit www.theaddamsfamilymusicaltour.com.

Ticket prices are \$32, \$42, \$52 and \$62* with a 10% discount available for members of The Hanover Theatre, groups of 15 or more and WOO Card holders. A 15% discount is available for groups of 50 or more. Tickets are available online at TheHanoverTheatre.org, by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre Box Office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester.

About The Hanover Theatre

The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts, located in downtown Worcester, New England's second largest city, is recognized by Pollstar as one of the Top 50 Theatres in the World. After undergoing many name changes and renovations over the decades since its 1926 birth, The Hanover Theatre reopened in March 2008 following a \$32 million historic restoration. Since then, the theatre has established its place as a rich entertainment and cultural venue, winning numerous awards, including The National Trust for Historic Preservation Award in 2010. Now in its fifth season, The Hanover Theatre continues to expose over 170,000 annual patrons to world-class entertainment in the form of Broadway, concerts, comedians and much more. For more information, visit TheHanoverTheatre.org. Worcester Center for the Performing Arts, a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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