

Miss Patti's School of Dance
4 GREAT BROADWAY SHOWS FOR MISS PATTI'S FAMILIES
and a Tribute to Miss Patti

Among this year's new Broadway musicals are three shows about girls, and each seems destined to be among the best musicals on Broadway! So we have adopted this as an opportunity to provide tickets for our dance school students to see any (or all) of these Broadway hits. The shows are *Annie*, *Matilda* and *Cinderella* (see synopses below). Two other hit shows on our list which are sure to garner in some Tony Award nominations are *Kinky Boots* and *Pippin*. Limited number of tickets are available and offered to Miss Patti's students on a first-come first-served basis with paid in full reservations. Please note that tickets to *Annie* were for Thursday April 11 during Spring Break, and *Annie* is not included as one of the Broadway shows for this summer. Reservations for *Matilda* and *Cinderella* are during our summer camp for ages 8/9 through teens (July 22-Aug 2), and for *Matilda* (again), *Kinky Boots* and *Pippin* two weeks later during ballet intensive camp. As in past years with shows reserved during our dance camp, round-trip bus reservations are made from the dance school and return, and dinner reservations made at John's Pizzeria. (Bus and dinner reservations are optional.) Except for *Pippin* (8:00pm performance), all shows are for convenient Thursday 7:00pm performance times, with orchestra seating, and at favorable group prices!!! Join us for a spectacular time!!! Reservations may be made for siblings/parents. Supervising Miss Patti's staff attend each trip. For either *Matilda*, *Cinderella*, *Kinky Boots* or *Pippin*, parents wishing to send students only may order trip with round trip bus and dinner. For prices, order details and order form, [click here](#).

1. ***Matilda* Thursday, July 25 and Thursday, August 8 @ 7:00pm.** Following its November 2011 opening in London, *Matilda* has received widespread critical acclaim! Including Best New Musical, the show won seven 2012 Olivier Awards, the most such awards ever won by a single show in London. *Matilda* is the story of an extraordinary little girl who decides that despite a bad beginning filled with rotten parents, a terrifying school and a vicious head mistress, her story is going to be an astonishing one. Based on a children's book by Roald Dahl.

Tribute to Miss Patti and a little bit of Broadway history

Matilda is being performed at the **Shubert Theatre**. 50 years ago, in the same **Shubert Theatre**, Miss Patti was a dancer in a new Broadway musical **Here's Love**. With book, music and lyrics by Meredith Willson (best known for writing the book, music and lyrics for **The Music Man**), **Here's Love** was based on the classic film *Miracle on 34th Street*. In **Here's Love**, Miss Patti was an assistant dance captain to famed choreographer Michael Kidd. In the dance ensemble with Miss Patti was Michael Bennett, who would become one of the most influential directors and choreographers of his generation...12 years later creating one of Broadway's most heralded musicals, **Chorus Line**. Three months after **Here's Love** opened, **Hello Dolly!**, with composer/lyricist Jerry Herman (also composer/lyricist for **Mame** and **LaCage aux Folles**), famed movie and stage director and choreographer Gower Champion, and starring Carol Channing, opened across the street at the St. James Theatre, becoming one of Broadway's biggest blockbusters, sweeping 10 Tony Awards. After several months, when **Here's Love** closed, Miss Patti was selected to join the cast of **HelloDolly!**. Spring of 1962 marked Miss Patti's first Broadway show, **No Strings**, a new musical with both music and lyrics by Broadway icon, Richard Rodgers (won Tony for Best Original Score), choreography by Joe Layton (won Tony for Best Choreography) and 1st Broadway appearance for Diahann Carroll (won Tony Award – Best Performance by a Leading Lady in a Musical). It is no wonder, having performed with some of Broadway's greatest contributors, that Miss Patti possesses the distinctive and time-honored traditions of musical theatre excellence, and has so much to offer her students.

2. ***Cinderella*** Thursday, August 1 @ 7:00pm. The world's most treasured fairytale comes to Broadway for the first time! From the most celebrated songwriting team in Broadway history - Rodgers & Hammerstein – rediscover some of their most beloved songs. All the classic elements (the romance, the magic, the shoes, the pumpkin) plus some surprising new twists are featured in a delightfully romantic and hilarious take that will be outrageous fun for dreamers of all ages. And not to worry... you'll be home before the stroke of midnight!
3. ***Kinky Boots*** Thursday, August 8 @ 7:00pm. Inspired by a true story and based upon the film, ***Kinky Boots*** features a warm and witty book by Harvey Fierstein and a diverse musical score from Cyndi Lauper, in her stunning theatrical debut. Heartwarming story, great acting, staging and knockout dancing! Appropriate for ages 12+.

Tickets to ***Matilda*** are also available for Thursday, August 8 @ 7:00pm (see above)

4. ***Pippin*** Thursday, August 15 @ 8:00pm. ***Pippin*** premiered in October of 1972 and won 5 Tony Awards! It tells the story of a young prince on a death-defying journey to find the meaning in his existence. Like ***Annie***, ***Pippin*** returns to Broadway this year. It has all the ingredients to be the Tony winner for Best Musical Revival!