JULIE & EMMA are the National Ambassadors for KIDS' NIGHT ON BROADWAY!



Julie Andrews Edwards and her daughter <u>Emma Walton</u> <u>Hamilton</u>, who salute Broadway with their latest best-sellng childrens' book "The Great American Mousical," (HarperCollins, 2006) announced this week at a press conference that they will serve as this year's ambassadors for <u>Kids' Night On Broadway</u>.

This exciting event takes place on January 30 and 31 in New York City when young people age 6-18 can see a Broadway show for FREE when accompanied by a full-paying adult! Kids

also get to dine for free at many Times Square restaurants, and parents get discounted parking rates. There is a pre-theater party at Madame Tussauds, one of the sponsors of this event, as well as many other fun activities, including a kids playbill created especially for this event.

This year's Kids' Night will also help shine a spotlight on the growing prevalence of autism and the work of <u>Autism Speaks</u>, a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing awareness of this disorder and raising money to fund autism research.

Tickets for the 2007 <u>Kids' Night On Broadway</u> are on sale NOW! For more information, visit www.kidsnightonbroadway.com Kids' Night also takes place in cities throughout the U.S. all year long with touring Broadway shows creating Kids' Night festivities for the various cities they visit.

Kids' Night on Broadway is a national audience development program of the League of American Theatres and Producers. The New York edition of KNOB 2007 is presented by Madame Tussauds New York with the New York Times. Additional support is provided by NBC4 and Theatre Development Fund.

"Emma and I wrote "The Great American Mousical" because we are both so passionate about theater, and about giving kids every opportunity to discover its enchantment. So it is especially rewarding for us to be part of such an exciting and important event as Kids Night On Broadway." - Julie Andrews Edwards

"Theater promotes listening, reminds us of alternatives beyond our everyday reality, and cultivates awareness, compassion, and social consciousness. What more important gifts could we give our children?" - Emma Walton Hamilton