

The logo for the Radio City Christmas Spectacular is a red rectangular box with yellow text. The text reads "RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR" in a large, bold, sans-serif font, with "STARRING THE ROCKETTES" in a smaller font below it.

**RADIO CITY
CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR®**
STARRING THE ROCKETTES

THE RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

2008 Edition Features Exciting Original Scenes in Breathtaking
Production of The Radio City Christmas Spectacular

Presented by Capital One Bank

TICKETS ON-SALE APRIL 27th!

Announcing the 2008 *Radio City Christmas Spectacular*! The *Christmas Spectacular* will continue to amaze patrons both young and old who have made the show America's #1 Holiday Show. For over 75 years, the *Christmas Spectacular* has been a holiday tradition for millions, and this year, Radio City will re-affirm its place as the ultimate Christmas destination. With dynamic Rockette performances, breathtaking special effects, gorgeous costumes and astounding scenes, the 2008 Radio City Christmas Spectacular is not to be missed! **Tickets to this year's Radio City Christmas Spectacular are on-sale April 27th.**

Traditional fan-favorites like the "Living Nativity" and the "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers," which have been in the show since 1933, remain a vital part of the show's core. "The Living Nativity" is beautiful, moving and emotionally accessible as always, and the "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" continues to set the standard as the signature Rockette number for precision performance. The *Star-Ledger* says, "No matter how sophisticated a person gets, watching those vintage segments unfold in that glorious theater evokes Christmas past-type memories. The years fly by, but somehow you're always a kid again at the *Radio City Christmas Spectacular*."

"As we embark on another glorious year of the *Radio City Christmas Spectacular*, we are saluting one of the most beloved entertainment institutions in the world, and the millions of patrons that have made this show part of their holiday tradition year after year," said Jonathan Hochwald, executive vice president of productions, MSG Entertainment. "We want the experience to begin for our patrons

the moment they walk through the doors at Radio City, from the interior of the Music Hall to the performance on stage.”

The *Christmas Spectacular* is framed around the power of the holiday spirit and the heartwarming magic that only *The Radio City Christmas Spectacular* and the Rockettes can bring to our audiences. The moment that our guests walk through the lobby of Radio City Music Hall, they will be greeted by The Radio City Swarovski Crystal Christmas Tree, an extravagant indoor crystal Christmas Tree that is worth over \$1 Million! Suspending above the Grand Lobby, and made up of over 10,000 individual, handcrafted Swarovski ornaments, these delightful and enchanting crystals light up the lobby of Radio City Music Hall.

The Rockettes continue to be an American treasure and their performance style has always been both entirely glamorous and deceptively complex. As the stars of this legendary holiday production, the Radio City Rockettes showcase their signature precision dance style and perform some of the most challenging and freshest Rockette numbers that have ever been conceived. The New York Post affirms, “Clad in costumes that seem sexier than ever, the gorgeous Rockettes dazzle in such imaginatively choreographed routines as the toe-tapping “Twelve Days of Christmas,” “New York at Christmas,” and, of course, the classic “Parade of the Wooden Soldiers.”

Along with re-imagined Rockette favorites, including the 2006 “12 Days of Christmas” scene, this year’s show will feature the world-famous Rockettes in dynamic performance routines within an unforgettable signature production number set in Times Square, lighting up the New York skyline with a glittering fireworks display on-stage. In “New York at Christmas,” the world-famous Rockettes will board a REAL double-decker gray line tour bus for a once in a lifetime tour of Manhattan. The Rockettes and audience will take a tour of historic landmarks such as the Empire State Building, 5th Avenue’s store windows and even Central Park. They arrive in Time Square, where they perform a show-stopping number surrounded by all the lights and excitement that only New York City can generate. The number climaxes with a live fireworks display onstage! Santa’s journey then takes the audience from New York City to the North Pole, when what appears to be a humble looking toy workshop unfolds before the audience’s eyes into Santa’s gigantic and spectacular 25-foot high warehouse of Christmas toys. This larger than life production set becomes the backdrop to a high-energy tap routine featuring the Rockettes as rag dolls, a performance re-imagined and inspired by a classic Rockette number that was originally choreographed in 1933 by Russell Markert. The Rockettes then deliver the audience a “Christmas card”-inspired greeting which

captures the tradition and grandeur of the holiday spirit, and gives the audience an intriguing retrospective film taking the audience on the Rockette's long history as the centerpiece of this beloved New York tradition.

Just before the show culminates with the classic favorite "Living Nativity," the Rockettes will undoubtedly bring the audience to their feet with a Rockette finale "Let Christmas Shine," which honors and celebrates the Rockettes as the stars of the show. As the retrospective film ends, the Radio City Rockettes are revealed in stunning Swarovski costumes, posed on a glittering staircase in a formation that suggests a giant Christmas tree. The Rockettes will sparkle from the stage as each Rockette costume is *crystallized* with over 3,000 Swarovski crystals. In total, the Rockettes will showcase over 240,000 glamorous crystals onstage.

The 2008 edition of the *Christmas Spectacular* will include dramatic theatrical lighting effects, breathtaking imagery, flying characters and an array of glamorous costumes that only Radio City can deliver. The entire look and feel of the Music Hall and the *Christmas Spectacular* will be very interactive as the show envelopes our patrons and takes them on this magical journey. The production numbers, scenic elements such as Santa flying over The Great Stage, double-decker gray line tour bus and fireworks, and original content are created and enhanced to utilize the state of the art technology from the world's largest flying indoor LED screen. The 3-D film has been enhanced and lengthened for an even more dramatic effect. Scenes will feature stunning special effects leaving no doubts about the magic of Christmas at Radio City.

The Radio City Christmas Spectacular creates wonderful memories for more than one million patrons each year and has been seen by over 65 million people since its inception in 1933, when it was originally performed as a holiday "gift" between movie screenings. The *Christmas Spectacular* has long since become the main event and draws people from all over the world who want to experience a quintessential New York City Christmas. The 2008 edition of the *Radio City Christmas Spectacular* promises to continue to create memories that audiences have come to treasure, and this year, the magic continues!

The *Radio City Christmas Spectacular* starring the Rockettes will run from November 7, 2008 through December 30, 2008. Prices range from \$42 to \$105. Tickets are available online at www.radiocitychristmas.com or at the Radio City Box Office (50th Street and Avenue of the Americas).

Box Office hours are Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tickets may also be purchased by calling the Ticketmaster Christmas Hotline at (212) 307-1000 or at any Ticketmaster outlets. Ticket prices include a \$4.50 facility charge. Tickets purchased via Ticketmaster are subject to service charges. Please call (212) 247-4777 for more information.

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