



**MSG ENTERTAINMENT
TO LAUNCH BIGGEST PRODUCTION OF
THE RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR
IN SHOW'S HISTORY**

**STRAIGHT FROM THE GREAT STAGE OF RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL,
THE WORLD-FAMOUS RADIO CITY ROCKETTES EMBARK ON
18 CITY NATIONAL ARENA TOUR THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

New York, NY (May 1, 2008)...Madison Square Garden Entertainment (MSGE) announced today that it will launch the biggest production of the *Radio City Christmas Spectacular*, starring the world famous Rockettes, in the show's 76-year history. This year marks the debut of a whole new *Spectacular*, re-imagined specifically for large-scale venues and playing to 18 cities across the country. This production will redefine family entertainment in an Arena setting, as this brand new show replicates the magic of the *Christmas Spectacular* at Radio City Music Hall on an entirely different scale, including all the elements of the 75th celebratory edition, which debuted to critical acclaim and dazzled national audiences during its televised NBC special last year.

“The *Radio City Christmas Spectacular* is the #1 live holiday production in the world and has been a cherished part of holiday family traditions for generations. Straight from the great stage of Radio City Music Hall, the scope and scale of this new production of *The Radio City Christmas Spectacular* is going to raise the bar for live family entertainment,” said Jonathan Hochwald, executive vice president, Productions, MSG Entertainment. “We look forward to bringing the spirit and warmth of our holiday production to more people than ever before with the largest traveling Christmas celebration ever created.”

Directed and choreographed by Linda Haberman, who conceived and directed last year's critically acclaimed 75th celebratory show at Radio City Music Hall, the Arena production was specifically designed to play in large venues scaled to capacities ranging from 7,000 – 12,000. This multi-faceted theatrical touring production will be completely constructed for an arena space, allowing the audience to experience the magic of *The Christmas Spectacular* at the grandest scale ever imagined by the Radio City creative team. Hitting the road with thirty trucks and sixteen buses, the show will celebrate Christmas with dramatic arena lighting effects; breathtaking imagery; flying sequences; new musical compositions; and an array of glamorous new costumes. The touring production will feature high-energy, tap-infused Rockette performance numbers, breathtaking sets that will surround the audience and special effects that will fill the venue.

“My vision for the Rockettes and the Christmas Spectacular has always been to explore scale and take the precision dance form to new levels, whether in a theatrical venue or an arena space,” said Linda Haberman, director and choreographer, Radio City Christmas Spectacular. “In my view, the mark of a true classic is that it is timeless, relevant and can be re-interpreted to push artistic boundaries.”

The show will be enhanced by an immense LED screen that will transport the audience from a wintry landscape to Times Square to Santa’s Workshop right before their very eyes. The larger than life sets and awe-inspiring special effects, such as Santa flying out into the audience as snow falls upon the crowd, will allow families to connect with both the intimacy and grandness of *The Christmas Spectacular* as they are immersed in the warmth and grandeur of the holiday spirit. From the moment guests settle into their seats, the audience will become part of the *Spectacular’s* magical experience.

Traditional fan-favorites like “Parade of the Wooden Soldiers,” which continue to set the standard as the signature Rockette number for precision performance, and “the Living Nativity” will remain a vital part of the show’s core. And this year, 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.

For more than three-quarters of a century, the Radio City Rockettes have entertained millions of families with their eye-high kicks and unparalleled precision dance. *The Radio City Christmas Spectacular* creates wonderful memories for more than two million patrons each year and has been enjoyed by approximately 65 million people since its inception in 1933. The Rockettes are an American treasure and their performance style has always been both entirely glamorous and deceptively complex. As the stars of the legendary *Christmas Spectacular*, the Rockettes will move this new production forward as they showcase their signature precision dance style and debut some of the most challenging and freshest Rockette numbers that have ever been conceived.

ARENA TOUR TICKET INFORMATION:

Become a “Radio City Christmas Spectacular Insider” and get the best seats before they go on sale to the general public in September. Groups of 10 or more people will be on-sale beginning May 1, 2008. For more information please visit www.radiocitychristmas.com and sign up today.

ARENA TOUR SCHEDULE:

City	Venue	Dates
Green Bay	Brown County Arena	11/7 – 11/8
Minneapolis	Target Center	11/11 – 11/12
Milwaukee	US Cellular Arena	11/13 – 11/16
Peoria	Peoria Civic Center	11/17 – 11/18
Grand Rapids	Van Andel Arena	11/19 – 11/20
Detroit	Joe Louis Arena	11/21 – 11/23
Dayton	Nutter Center	11/26
Cincinnati	U.S. Bank Arena	11/28 – 11/30
Baltimore	1 st Mariner Arena	12/2 – 12/7
Columbus	Nationwide Arena	12/9 – 12/10
Birmingham	BJCC	12/12 – 12/14
Bossier City	CenturyTel Center	12/15 – 12/16
Little Rock	Alltel Arena	12/17 – 12/18
Kansas City	Sprint Center	12/19 – 12/21
Tulsa	BOK Center	12/22 – 12/24
Oklahoma City	Ford Center	12/26 - 12/28
Austin	Frank Erwin Center	12/30 – 12/31
Houston	Toyota Center	1/2 – 1/4

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