

**SUSAN MCFADDEN AND AOIFE MULHOLLAND TO JOIN  
SHERIDAN SMITH, DUNCAN JAMES AND ALEX GAUMOND IN  
LEGALLY BLONDE THE MUSICAL**

**SUNDAY PERFORMANCES NOW ADDED**

**Susan McFadden**, winner of ITV1's *Grease is the Word* and **Aoife Mulholland**, finalist on BBC 1's *How Do You Solve A Problem Like Maria?*, are to join **Sheridan Smith, Duncan James** and **Alex Gaumond** in Jerry Mitchell's ***Legally Blonde The Musical*** which will preview at the Savoy Theatre from 5 December. Final principal casting will be announced shortly.

Currently booking until 23 May 2010, *Legally Blonde The Musical* will now play Sunday performances, adding to the growing number of West End shows who are including Sundays in their performance schedules. See listings information on page 3 for new performance schedule.

*Legally Blonde The Musical* opened on Broadway in 2007 where it received seven Tony nominations and ten Drama Desk Award nominations as well as winning an Outer Critics' Circle Award. Currently playing to packed houses on a two year tour of the United States where the production has already recouped, *Legally Blonde The Musical* has recently been awarded the 2009 Touring Broadway Awards for Best New Musical and Best Direction.

There will be five press preview performances on Thursday 7 January at 7.30pm, Friday 8 January at 7.30pm, Saturday 9 January at 2.30pm and 7.30pm and Tuesday 12 January at 7.30pm, with reviews embargoed until Thursday 14 January 2010. The Gala night will be Wednesday 13 January at 7.30pm.

**Susan McFadden** will play Elle's best friend and sorority sister, Serena. McFadden played Sandy in *Grease* at the Piccadilly Theatre after winning the opportunity, beating thousands of hopefuls on ITV1's reality show *Grease is the Word*. She is currently playing Milly in *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* on tour in the UK. McFadden has played the title roles in *Cinderella* at the Theatre Royal Wakefield and the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin and *Annie* at the Olympia Theatre Dublin. Her other Dublin Theatre credits include *Jack and the Beanstalk*, *Singin' in the Rain* and *Dance of Desire*. She has been seen on television in *Relative Strangers* and *Bachelors Walk*, both on RTE.

**Aoife Mulholland** will play Brooke, who Elle defends in her first court case. Mulholland trained at London's Central School of Speech and Drama and she was a finalist on the BBC's hugely popular reality show, *How Do You Solve A Problem Like Maria?* She has most recently played Roxie Hart in *Chicago* at the Cambridge Theatre. Previously Mulholland played Maria in *The Sound of Music* at the London Palladium as well as performing in *Chess in Concert* at the Royal Albert Hall and *Dance of Desire* at the Black Box, Ireland. Her television credits include *Jam the Musical*, *How Do You Solve A Problem Like Maria?* *When Joseph Met Maria*, *Malicious Intent* and *Foreign Exchange*.

Directed and choreographed by Tony Award-winning Jerry Mitchell *Legally Blonde The Musical* has music and lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe and Nell Benjamin, book by Heather Hach, set design by David Rockwell, costume design by Gregg Barnes, lighting design by Kenneth Posner and Paul Miller, sound design by ACME Sound Partners and orchestrations by Christopher Jahnke.

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*College sweetheart and homecoming queen Elle Woods (Sheridan Smith) doesn't take no for an answer. So when her boyfriend Warner (Duncan James) dumps her for someone serious, Elle puts down the credit card, hits the books, and heads for Harvard Law! Along the way, Elle proves that being true to yourself never goes out of style.*

The cast includes Emma Bateman (Stenographer), Dan Burton (Padamadan, Nikos), Darren Carnall (Kiki), Chris Ellis-Stanton (Grandmaster Chad, Dewey, Kyle), Alex Gaumond (Emmett Forrest), Nadine Higgin (Judge, Saleswoman), Ibinabo Jack (Pilar), Duncan James (Warner Huntington III), Caroline Keiff (Vivienne Kensington), Amy Lennox (Margot), Andy Mace (Dad, Winthrop, Reporter), Susan McFadden (Serena), Sorelle Marsh (Courtney, Mom, Whitney), Suzie McAdam (Enid), Matthew McKenna (Aaron), Sean Mulligan (Pforzheimer), Aoife Mulholland (Brooke), Roxanne Palmer (Kate, Chutney), Sergio Priftis (Carlos), Sheridan Smith (Elle Woods), Tamara Wall (District Attorney) and Ed White (Lowell). They are joined by Jane McMurtrie, Sherrie Pennington, Lucy Miller, Fabian Aloise and Francis Haugen as swings.

In 2001 Amanda Brown's novel *Legally Blonde* was made into a film starring Reese Witherspoon, produced by MGM and directed by Robert Luketic.

*Legally Blonde The Musical* is produced in the West End by Sonia Friedman Productions, Robert G. Bartner, Ambassador Theatre Group, Jamie Hendry Productions and Act Productions.

### **Christmas and New Year Schedule**

Monday 21 December 7.30pm  
 Tuesday 22 December No Performance  
 Wednesday 23 December 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Thursday 24 December 2.30pm  
 Friday 25 December No Performance  
 Saturday 26 December 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Sunday 27 December 3.00pm

Monday 28 December 7.30pm  
 Tuesday 29 December No Performance  
 Wednesday 30 December 7.30pm  
 Thursday 31 December 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Friday 1 January 7.30pm  
 Saturday 2 January 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Sunday 3 January 3.00pm

Monday 4 January 7.30pm  
 Tuesday 5 January No Performance  
 Wednesday 6 January 7.30pm  
 Thursday 7 January 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Friday 8 January 7.30pm  
 Saturday 9 January 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Sunday 10 January No Performance

Monday 11 January 7.30pm  
 Tuesday 12 January 7.30pm  
 Wednesday 13 January 7.30pm  
 Thursday 14 January 7.30pm  
 Friday 15 January 7.30pm  
 Saturday 16 January 2.30pm & 7.30pm  
 Sunday 17 January at 3pm

**Listings Information****Legally Blonde The Musical**

Address: Savoy Theatre, Strand, London WC2R 0ET

Dates: Previews from 5 December 2009  
Gala Night Wednesday 13 January 2010  
Currently booking until 23 May 2010

Press Performances: Press preview performances are Thursday 7 January at 7.30pm, Friday 8 January at 7.30pm, Saturday 9 January at 2.30pm & 7.30pm, Tuesday 11 January at 7.30pm with reviews embargoed until Thursday 14 January

Performances: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday at 7.30pm  
Thursday and Saturday at 2.30pm  
Sunday at 3pm  
NB there will be no matinees on 10 and 17 December

Box Office: 0844 871 7687

Ticket prices: Previews £20 - £40 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
Previews £22.50 - £55.00 Saturday and Sunday  
From 14 January 2010 all tickets £20.00 - £62.50

Website: [www.legallyblondethemusical.co.uk](http://www.legallyblondethemusical.co.uk)

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