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## Two Air Times Added! Go Behind-the-Scenes of Radio City's Highly-Anticipated New Show, *New York Spring Spectacular*, Presented by Chase, With a 30-Minute-Special "The Making of The New York Spring Spectacular"

Madison Square Garden Entertainment and Weinstein Live Entertainment Are Proud to Present a Brand New Production Starring The Rockettes, Tony Award-Winner Laura Benanti and Emmy Award-Winner Derek Hough, in an Extraordinary Family Show and Dazzling Celebration of New York City

### "The Making of The New York Spring Spectacular" Television Schedule\*

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm on WNBC and NECN

Wednesday, March 18 at 9:00pm on MSG Network

Thursday, March 19 at 10:00am on WE tv, 6:30am and 12:30pm on MSG Network, 7:00pm on MSG+

Friday, March 20 at 9:30am on SundanceTV and 11:45am on IFC

Thursday, March 26 at 9:00am Roadblock airing on AMC, IFC and SundanceTV and 10:00am airing on WE tv

\*all times Eastern Daylight



NEW YORK, March 13, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MSG Entertainment (MSGE) announced today that "The Making of The New York Spring Spectacular" will be airing on television to provide fans an exciting behind-the-scenes look at *New York Spring Spectacular*, presented by Chase. AMC, IFC and Sundance TV will be broadcasting the special as a roadblock on those networks Thursday, March 26 at 9:00AM EDT/ 10:00AM CDT, which coincides with the opening night of *New York Spring Spectacular*. The live production is jointly produced by Madison Square Garden Entertainment and Weinstein Live Entertainment. The limited seven week engagement begins previews on March 12, 2015 and runs through May 3, 2015. Tickets on sale now at [www.rockettes.com/spring](http://www.rockettes.com/spring).

"The Making of the New York Spring Spectacular" takes viewers behind the scenes and features the powerhouse creative team behind *New York Spring Spectacular*, which is led by Tony and Drama Desk Award-winning choreographer Warren Carlyle. The TV special will give insight as to how Director and Choreographer Warren Carlyle has been working with Co-Creative Directors Diane Paulus and Randy Weiner, a Tony Award-winning and Drama Desk Award-winning team, and Emmy Award-winning choreographer Mia Michaels. Fans will see the Rockettes like they've never seen them before in this brand new family show that goes into previews today, March 12. This 30-minute special will provide the background from talent, costumes, show technology and more!

In addition to the creative team, the television special showcases the stars of *New York Spring Spectacular*. Viewers will get to watch interviews and footage of rehearsals with Tony Award-winning actress, Laura Benanti, who plays Jenna, and Emmy Award-winning choreographer Derek Hough, who stars as the male lead, Jack. Other celebrities involved with the production are also featured, such as Bella Thorne who voices the Alice in Wonderland statue, a large scale-puppet in the Central Park scene of the *New York Spring Spectacular*. Thorne joins Whoopi Goldberg, Tina Fey and Amy Poehler as voices of the puppets in the production.

*New York Spring Spectacular* also stars the Rockettes along with Lenny Wolpe as Bernie and Jared Grimes as Marshall. The production will also include celebrity video cameos by 50 Cent, Odell Beckham Jr., Victor Cruz, Walt Frazier, John Leguizamo, Al Michaels, Kelly Ripa, Mariano Rivera and Sam Rosen, in addition to the previously announced cameos by Carmelo Anthony, Henrik Lundqvist, Martha Stewart and Donald Trump.

*New York Spring Spectacular* celebrates the magic of New York and its most iconic landmarks, from The New York Public Library to The Metropolitan Museum of Art. One scene honors the best of New York sports, featuring the Rockettes performing sports-inspired choreography and athletes and NYC-based entertainers making video cameo appearances. A high energy fashion scene celebrates the best of New York designers with video appearances by some of the well-known fashion icons that call New York City their home.

Bursting with invigorating new Rockettes dance numbers, incredible 3D special effects, sophisticated large-scale puppetry and an exciting soundtrack of original songs, classics and pop hits, including an orchestrated version of Taylor Swift's "Welcome to New York," *New York Spring Spectacular* is as rejuvenating, energetic and uplifting as spring itself - and a reminder that while things may change, nothing can take away the timeless magic and romance of the one and only New York City!

*New York Spring Spectacular* takes audiences on a whirlwind adventure across New York City while telling an inspiring and hopeful narrative about New Yorkers who change each other's lives in unexpectedly wonderful ways. Bernie, played by Wolpe, has been giving old fashioned tours of New York for decades, but his company was just bought by Jenna, played by Benanti, a whip smart techie with plans to fire Bernie and turn his tours into a virtual reality wonderland. Bernie is in trouble. Enter Jack, played by Hough, a spirited young man with a secret agenda of his own: If he can help Bernie keep his job, Jack will get an eternal reward.

With the assistance of the legendary Rockettes, Bernie takes Jenna-- and the audience-- on the tour of a lifetime, from the Statue of Liberty to Central Park to The Metropolitan Museum of Art. By the last stop on this whirlwind adventure, this group of people will be forever changed, and they will never look at the city the same way again.

Check out exclusive *New York Spring Spectacular* behind-the-scenes photos, videos and interviews at [www.rockettes.com/spring](http://www.rockettes.com/spring), and follow [Rockettes](#) and [New York Spring Spectacular](#) on Facebook, [@Rockettes](#) on Twitter and [@TheRockettes](#) on Instagram for all the latest updates on the show.

The New York Spring Spectacular logo is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=30027>

### **Ticket Information**

Preview performances of *New York Spring Spectacular* begin March 12, 2015 at Radio City Music Hall®. Opens March 26, 2015 and runs for a limited engagement ending May 3, 2015. Prices range from \$46 - \$100 for previews and regular box office pricing from \$50 - \$150, depending on show date and time. Tickets are available online at [www.rockettes.com/spring](http://www.rockettes.com/spring), by phone via Ticketmaster at 866-858-0007, or at Radio City's Box Office (50th St. & Avenue of the Americas). Group tickets of 9+ contact Group Sales at 212-465-6080 or [group.sales@msg.com](mailto:group.sales@msg.com). Box Office hours are daily, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00pm. Tickets purchased via Ticketmaster are subject to service charges.

### **About MSG Entertainment**

MSG Entertainment (MSGE), the live entertainment arm of The Madison Square Garden Company (Nasdaq:MSG), is a worldwide entertainment company recognized for its signature combination of event production and entertainment marketing. In addition to the nearly 900 entertainment concerts and events that take place each year at Radio City Music Hall, Madison Square Garden, The Theater at Madison Square Garden, the Beacon Theatre, The Chicago Theatre, and the Forum in Inglewood, California, MSGE has an exclusive co-booking agreement with Boston's Citi Performing Arts Center/ Wang Theatre.

MSG Entertainment's live events include the Radio City Christmas Spectacular, which has played to more than 75 million people in 77 different cities across North America. More than five million people attend MSG Entertainment branded events annually including concerts, special events, and family attractions.

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