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Helloooo, Seattle! Tony[®] Nominated Broadway Star Rob McClure to Lead the World Premiere of *Mrs. Doubtfire* at The 5th Avenue Theatre this Holiday Season

November 26 – December 29, 2019

Book by Karey Kirkpatrick and John O'Farrell Music and Lyrics by Wayne Kirkpatrick and Karey Kirkpatrick Based upon the Twentieth Century Fox Motion Picture Directed by Jerry Zaks Choreographed by Lorin Latarro Music Supervision by Ethan Popp

(Thursday, September 5, 2019—SEATTLE) Hellooooooo, poppets! *Mrs. Doubtfire* is a musical now, dear! **The 5th Avenue Theatre** is thrilled to announce that **Rob McClure** will star in the title role of the world premiere production of *Mrs. Doubtfire* this holiday season. McClure is the hilarious and whip-smart actor who received a Tony Award[®] nomination for Best Actor in a Musical for his portrayal of Charlie Chaplin in *Chaplin*. He is currently starring as Adam in *Beetlejuice* on Broadway, a role he originated at the Winter Garden Theatre, and has been seen in Broadway productions of *Avenue Q*, *Honeymoon in Vegas*, and *Noises Off!*. Seattle audiences will remember McClure as Nick Bottom in the national tour of *Something Rotten!*, a role that he also played on Broadway. Additional casting for *Mrs. Doubtfire* will be announced at a later date.

Playing **November 26 – December 29, 2019** (press opening Friday, December 13, 2019), single tickets for *Mrs. Doubtfire* are on sale now at <u>www.5thavenue.org</u>, by phone at **206.625.1900**, or in person at the **Box Office** at 1308 5th Avenue in Downtown Seattle.

The world premiere of *Mrs. Doubtfire* will be produced by The 5th Avenue Theatre this holiday season. Based upon the beloved 1993 Twentieth Century Fox Motion Picture, *Mrs. Doubtfire* features a book by Karey Kirkpatrick and John O'Farrell, and music and lyrics by Wayne Kirkpatrick and Karey Kirkpatrick, the Tony Award-nominated team behind *Something Rotten*, with direction from four-time Tony Award winner Jerry Zaks (*Hello, Dolly!*), choreography by Lorin Latarro (*Waitress*), and music supervision by Ethan Popp (*Tina: the Tina Turner Musical*). When out-of-work actor Daniel Hillard loses custody of his kids in a divorce, he disguises himself as Scottish nanny Euphegenia Doubtfire in a desperate attempt to stay in their lives. As he gets lost in his new persona and grows closer to his kids, Mrs. Doubtfire teaches Daniel more than he bargained for about how to be a father.

A heartfelt and hilarious story about the lengths we'll go to for our loved ones, *Mrs. Doubtfire*, which is the 22nd new musical produced by The 5th Avenue Theatre, is the next big musical comedy hit for the whole family. Don't miss your chance to see it before it arrives on Broadway!

FOR CALENDAR EDITORS

WHEN:	Previews begin Tuesday, November 26, 2019
	Opening Night: Friday, December 13, 2019 (press night)
	Closing Performance: Sunday, December 29, 2019
	Performance times vary. Please visit <u>www.5thavenue.org</u> for details.
WHERE:	The 5 th Avenue Theatre (1308 5 th Avenue, Downtown Seattle)
TICKETS:	Please visit <u>www.5thavenue.org</u> or call the Box Office at 206.625.1900 for tickets (starting at \$29). Groups of 10 or more call 1.888.625.1418.

About The 5th Avenue Theatre

The 5th Avenue Theatre is one of America's leading musical theater companies. We enrich the community we love with the art form we love—giving the Pacific Northwest a front-row seat to original powerhouse productions that go on to light up marquees and audiences all the way to Broadway. From the page to the stage, we bring passion and epic scale to every musical we create. With big talent. Bigger-than-life productions. And did we mention dazzle? As a nonprofit theater company and our region's largest performing arts employer, we spread the joy of great musicals with people of all ages across our region and state. Each year, we reach 75,000 young people through our nationally acclaimed education programs. Programs designed to develop new musicals ensure that the next generation of great musicals will be there to tell the stories that captivate tomorrow's audiences. On the national stage, we are a leading voice for the power of this American art form to lift the human spirit.

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