

NATIONAL HELLENIC MUSEUM

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(I to r) Jaylon C. Crump (Hermes) in Hadestown North American Tour, 2024. Katelyn Crall (Fate), Miriam Navarrete (Fate), and Julia Schick (Swing) in Hadestown North American Tour, 2024. Photos by Evan Zimmerman for MurphyMade.

National Hellenic Museum hosts special free event on Greek mythology with cast members from *HADESTOWN*

This Thursday, May 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Tony Award and Grammy Award-winning musical intertwines the myths of Orpheus and Eurydice, and Hades and Persephone

CHICAGO (May 6, 2025)—The <u>National Hellenic Museum</u> is thrilled to host an exclusive in-person event on Greek mythology with cast members from the national tour of *HADESTOWN* this <u>Thursday</u>, <u>May 8 at 10:30 a.m.</u> at the museum, located at 333 S. Halsted Street in the heart of Chicago's Greektown neighborhood.

Admission is free and limited tickets are available on Eventbrite HERE.

In this mythological panel discussion, UIC Classics and Mediterranean Studies Senior Lecturer **Krishni Burns, PhD** will be in conversation with *HADESTOWN* cast members **Jaylon C. Crump** (Hermes), **Katelyn Crall** (Fate) and **Julia Schick** (Swing/Assistant Dance Captain) about the timeless themes of the myths of Orpheus and Eurydice, and Hades and Persephone. Hear from performers in the Tony Award and Grammy Award-winning musical and learn why stories from Greek mythology remain so captivating and relevant today.

This event is presented in partnership with Broadway In Chicago.

Interviews are available with the *HADESTOWN* cast members before and after the public event, at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Welcome to *HADESTOWN*, where a song can change your fate. Winner of eight 2019 Tony Awards® including Best Musical and the 2020 Grammy® Award for Best Musical Theater Album, this acclaimed new show from celebrated singer-songwriter Anaïs Mitchell and original director Rachel Chavkin (*Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812*) is a love story for today... and always. Intertwining two mythic tales—that of young dreamers Orpheus and Eurydice, and that of King Hades and his wife Persephone—*HADESTOWN* is a haunting and hopeful theatrical experience that grabs you and never lets go. Playing May 6–18 at the CIBC Theatre. For tickets and information visit <u>BroadwayInChicago.com</u>.

The **National Hellenic Museum** (NHM) has a mission to share Greek history, art, culture and the Greek American story. NHM preserves the Hellenic legacy and makes this rich heritage relevant today through its extensive collection of more than 10,000 physical artifacts, hundreds of oral histories, exhibitions, educational programs and special events. Originally founded in 1983 and located in Chicago's historic Greektown neighborhood since 2011, NHM provides lifelong learning for the community and sparks inquiry and discussion about the broader issues in our lives and society. Regular Museum hours are Thursday through Sunday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit nationalhellenicmuseum.org or call 312-655-1234.

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HADESTOWN production photos are available <u>here</u> and B-roll is available <u>here</u>.