

POINT PARK UNIVERSITY

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Point Park University's Conservatory of Performing Arts named to Playbill.com Top 10 list for Broadway representation

PITTSBURGH, PA – Point Park University is ranked No. 8 on [Playbill.com's list of the Top Colleges Currently Represented on Broadway](#), ahead of schools such as the University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Yale University and Florida State University.

“Year after year, Point Park finds itself well-represented on Broadway, and it’s a testament to the University’s unwavering commitment to the performing and cinematic arts,” said Ronald Allan-Lindblom, artistic director of Point Park’s Conservatory of Performing Arts. “We are proud of the immensely talented students we attract to the program, who learn under a dedicated faculty of artist educators and national guest artists who prepare them for successful professional careers.”

Playbill.com’s ranking is based on its own research, which only includes Broadway shows currently open, along with some shows that have announced casting for the 2017-2018 season.

The list of Point Park alumni recognized by Playbill.com includes:

- **Mike Cannon**, “Aladdin,” Woodside, N.Y.
- **Bobby Pestka**, “Aladdin,”
- **Rory Max Kaplan**, “A Bronx Tale,” New York, N.Y.
- **Ahmed Simmons**, “Cats,” Fort Worth, Texas
- **Callan Bergmann**, “Cats,” Gowanda, N.Y.
- **Jessica Ernest**, “Chicago,”
- **Courtney Bassett**, “Natasha, Pierre and the Great Comet of 1812,”
- **Jordan Grubb**, “Groundhog Day,” Easton, Pa.
- **Neil Haskell**, “Hamilton”
- **Jeff Kuhr**, “Kinky Boots,”
- **Viveca Chow**, “Miss Saigon,” Hong Kong S.A.R.
- **Kaley Ann Vorhees**, “Prince of Broadway,” Aurora, Ohio
- **Conner John Gillooly**, “School of Rock,”

Additional alums on Broadway not mentioned by Playbill include:

- **Tony Yazbeck**, Riverside, Calif., and raised in Bethlehem, Pa., “Prince of Broadway”
- **Gabriella Sorrentino**, “Hamilton,” Staten Island, N.Y.
- **Sarah Meahl**, “Hello Dolly!” and “Paramour,” Clermont, Fla.

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Founded in 1960, Point Park University, a [College of Distinction](#), is a dynamic, urban university with a strong liberal arts tradition. Located in Downtown Pittsburgh, Point Park enrolls more than 4,000 full- and part-time students in more than 100 undergraduate and graduate programs offered through the School of Arts and Sciences, Rowland School of Business, School of Communication and Conservatory of Performing Arts. Visit PointPark.edu to learn more.