



Hairspray
Creating the
Magic

Cast Will Take Part in Free
Event May 29

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Inside Broadway, which has introduced over 750,000 New York City children to the musical theatre, will present *Creating the Magic* May 29 at the Neil Simon Theatre.

The free 10:30 AM event — featuring the cast of the Tony-winning musical *Hairspray* — will explore the creation of a Broadway production.

The morning program, which is open to school and senior groups as well as the public, will "feature performances by and interviews with cast members and a display of technical stage effects," according to press notes.

In a statement, Inside Broadway founder and executive director Michael Presser said, "Everyone would like to go behind the scenes on Broadway. We give them an insider's look at how the magic of theatre is created and introduce some of the important people who create that magic. It's entertaining as well as educational, a perfect combination."

The Neil Simon Theatre is located in Manhattan at 250 West 52nd Street.

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