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Party like it's 1999 with "Cruel Intentions: The 90s Musical"! Based on the cult-classic and featuring your favorites 90s throwbacks, @CruelMusical is the ultimate night out. The show will be at the @KimmelCenter 5/29-6/2. More info @ kimmelcenter.org

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## KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS *CRUEL INTENTIONS: THE 90S MUSICAL,* PARODY OF CULT CLASSIC FILM WITH LIVE THROWBACK HITS **MAY 29 – JUNE 2, 2019**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** (Philadelphia, PA, April 4, 2019) – The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts is thrilled to present *Cruel Intentions: The 90s Musical* in its Perelman Theater from Wednesday, May 29 through Sunday, June 2, 2019. The jukebox musical perfectly combines everything audiences love about the original film, including Verve's "Bitter Sweet Symphony," with other throwback hits by iconic 90s artists like Boyz II Men, Christina Aguilera, REM, \*NSYNC, and, of course, Britney Spears, performed live.

"*Cruel Intentions'* story of seduction and manipulation has intoxicated audiences since it was first released 20 years ago," said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. "Prepare to be charmed all over again as this musical blends the classic cult film with 90s favorites for a theatrical experience that is a true throwback!"

Based on the French novel, *Les Liaisons Dangereuses*, and the film starring Reese Witherspoon, Ryan Phillippe, and Sarah Michelle Geller, *Cruel Intentions: The '90s Musical* pulls you into the manipulative world of Manhattan's most dangerous liaisons – between Sebastian Valmont and Kathryn Merteuil.

Seduced by revenge and fueled by passion, the two diabolically charming step-siblings place a bet on whether or not Sebastian can deflower their incoming headmaster's daughter, Annette Hargrove. As the

two set out to destroy the innocent girl—and anyone who gets in their way—they find themselves entangled in a web of secrets, temptation, and the cruelest game of all: love.

Other featured upcoming performances at the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus include: **Brit Floyd: Another Brick in the Wall 2019** (May 7, 2019, Merriam Theater), **Polly Mope** (May 9-11, 2019, SEI Innovation Studio), and **The Illusionists – Live From Broadway** (May 10-11, 2019, Merriam Theater).

***Cruel Intentions: The 90s Musical***

**Perelman Theater**

*May 29, 2019, 7:30 p.m.*

*May 30, 2019, 7:30 p.m.*

*May 31, 2019, 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.*

*June 1, 2019, 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.*

*June 2, 2019, 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.*

**Tickets**

Tickets are on sale now starting at \$49.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999, online at [www.kimmelcenter.org](http://www.kimmelcenter.org), or at the Kimmel Center Box Office. Group sales are available for groups of 10 or more and can be purchased by calling 215-790-5883. See [www.kimmelcenter.org](http://www.kimmelcenter.org) for more information.

**The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus**

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