

Music

Portland Opera presents Ragtime



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One of the most beloved and admired novels of modern times, E.L. Doctorow's *Ragtime*, has come to vibrant musical life. Proclaimed "the Best Musical of the Year" by USA Today, the four-time Tony Award-winning musical is a timeless tale of innocence lost and freedom won.

Ragtime is a panoramic portrait of three remarkable families – one upper-middle class, white Anglo-Saxon Protestant, one socialist immigrant Jew, and one Harlem black. As they embark on personal voyages of self-discovery, their lives become dramatically intertwined with one another and with real-life historical characters including Henry Ford, Harry Houdini, J.P. Morgan and Booker T. Washington. *Ragtime* is a cavalcade of American

life at the turn of the century – an age of exciting transitions and great change.

Ragtime is interwoven with pivotal historic events such as Admiral Peary's expedition to the North Pole, the sinking of the *Lusitania*, the birth of the American labor union, the development of assembly-line technology and the dawn of the automotive and motion picture industries.

Ragtime, the musical will be playing from September 5-10, 2000 at the Keller Auditorium. Tickets are \$20-\$60 and can be purchased at Ticketmaster outlets or the Portland Center for the Performing Arts on SW Broadway and Main, and at the Portland Opera offices, located at 1515 SW Morrison st. For more information, visit us online at www.broadwayseries.com, www.ragtimethemusical.com or www.portlandopera.org.

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Immediately following performance at 11:30 p.m.,
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downtown at "Da Club."

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