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Beck Center for the Arts Is So Fetch, By Producing *Mean Girls*

Lakewood, OH—[Beck Center for the Arts](#) is pleased to produced [Mean Girls](#), the Northeast Ohio locally-produced premiere of this Broadway hit musical, and final production of the 2025-2026 professional theater season. A musical so fetch it is perfect for summer fun for teens and families.

Running July 10 to August 9, 2026, in the Senney Theater, Beck Center for the Arts' production of ***Mean Girls*** was written by Tina Fey, lyricist Nell Benjamin (*Legally Blonde*), and composer Jeff Richmond (*Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt*). Adapted from Fey's hit 2004 film, ***Mean Girls***, this pretty in pink production is directed by Scott Spence, with musical direction by Bryan Bird, and choreography by Lauren Marousek. Special added performances will take place on Thursdays July 23, 30, and August 6, 2026. Presented in arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

Artistic director of Beck Center for the Arts, and director of ***Mean Girls***, Scott Spence shares, "Not every musical born from a film becomes a success.... able to hit all or most of the right notes and capture the spirit of the original movie. ***Mean Girls*** has succeeded on every front however, and I believe it's because the creators of the film and musical not only are the same team, but also that they are simply very funny people. Wife and husband collaborators Tina Fey and Jeff Richmond are spot on with Book and Music, and Broadway veteran Nell Benjamin's (*Legally Blonde*) lyrics are a treat. Tina Fey's comedy shines through on every page, and the music "slaps"---as the kids might say. Or did say. Or used to say. Who can keep up? Is there room for an old guy in The Burn Book?"

Mean Girls was nominated for a staggering 12 Tony Awards®. We have all experienced some "Plastics" in our lives. Cady Heron grew up on an African savanna, but nothing could prepare her for the wild and malicious ways of her strange adventure in suburban Illinois. How will this naïve newbie rise to popularity? By taking on frenemies led by the charming but cutting Regina George, Cady learns the hard way that you can't cross a queen bee without getting stung.



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"...*Mean Girls* is a marvel." - *Entertainment Weekly*

Tickets are available at 216-521-2540 and [Beckcenter.org](https://beckcenter.org).

Curtain times are 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Preview performances are 7:30 p.m. the Thursday before opening night, with general admission seating for just \$15. Smart Seats are available for each performance at just \$15 per person. For more information on the new 2026-2027 Professional Theater Season please visit beckcenter.org.

In line with the theme of *Mean Girls*, please visit beckcenter.org/theater/mean-girls to find out about a community partnership with [Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland](https://hunger.org), for which Beck Center for the Arts will host a hygiene drive for females and families to help combat bullying surrounding poverty and much-needed toiletries.

All performances are at theaters inside [Beck Center for the Arts](https://beckcenter.org) located at 17801 Detroit Avenue in Lakewood, just ten minutes west of downtown Cleveland. Free onsite parking is available. For more information visit beckcenter.org.

Beck Center for the Arts is proud to be a part of Northeast Ohio's professional theater landscape, operating under a letter of agreement with Actors' Equity Association. We are a Small Professional Theater (SPT) based on the number of seats, number of our performances, and the maximum weekly hours of work we provide to actors. We produce every show on our stages, by choosing the play, casting and rehearsing it, building the sets, props, and costumes, directing and performing the live music, and designing lights and sound. We proudly utilize regional resources and talent.

Beck Center for the Arts also offers arts education for all ages, all skill levels, and all abilities with classes and lessons in music, dance, visual arts, and theater, as well as creative arts therapies. Financial assistance is offered to qualified applicants so that these programs can be enjoyed by all.

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