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New Orleans Hotel Collection Named Official Hotels of the Broadway at NOCCA Series

Patti LuPone, Megan Mullally, Audra McDonald, Sutton Foster, Betty Buckley Bring Broadway Star Power to New Orleans

*****Broadway at NOCCA series launches with Evita legend LuPone on January 7*****

December 15, 2012 – New Orleans - Producer Mark Cartale has announced the New Orleans Hotel Collection has been named the Official Hotels of the Broadway Concert Series at NOCCA. Five of the entertainment world's leading ladies will perform in New Orleans in 2013 as the popular Broadway Concert Series makes the leap to NOCCA's Lupin Hall from its summer home at The Art House in Provincetown, MA. Patti LuPone, two-time Tony winner for *Gypsy* and as the legendary original *Evita*, will appear for two shows only on January 7th at 6:30 and 8:30.

"We are excited to have such a beautiful collection of hotels as our hosts and sponsors for this important series of concerts with the great names of Broadway performing," said Mark Cortales upon announcing the partnership.

Audra McDonald and **Betty Buckley** have recently joined the BROADWAY AT NOCCA concert series. The visiting Broadway artists will also be giving master classes for the NOCCA Institute's high school-age musical theatre students. **Sutton Foster**, two-time Tony-winner for this year's *Anything Goes* and previously for *Thoroughly Modern Millie* will perform one show only on March 2, 2013 at 7:30. **Megan Mullally**, two-time Emmy-winning star of TV's *Will and Grace* and star of Broadway's *Young Frankenstein* performs two shows only on April 6th at 7:30 and 9:30. **Audra McDonald**, a five-time Tony Award winner and recent star of *Porgy and Bess* on Broadway and TV's *Private Practice* will make her New Orleans debut with two shows only on May 18, 2013 at 7:30 and 9:30. **Betty Buckley**, the Tony winning legendary star of *Cats* and *Sunset Boulevard* on Broadway and TV's *Eight is Enough* and *Oz*, will

close the series on June 1, 2013 with two shows only at 7:30 and 9:30. All five concerts are produced by Mark Cortale, long time producer/manager of Jeffery Roberson (aka Varla Jean Merman), and will be hosted by Sirius/XM radio star Seth Rudetsky at the piano. The series is sponsored exclusively by the **New Orleans Hotel Collection** and Gambit. Tickets can be purchased at www.broadwaynola.com or by calling (800) 838-3006.

“Were extremely pleased to be supporting the arts and specifically NOCCA and its students by participating as an exclusive sponsor of these amazing leading ladies as they perform for the first time in New Orleans at NOCCA,” said Craig Hulford, managing director of the New Orleans Hotel Collection.

Special seasonal room rates are available at each of the hotels of the Collection utilizing the promo code “DIS200”.

About the New Orleans Hotel Collection

The New Orleans Hotel Collection is a group of seven fine hotels in the New Orleans metropolitan region owned by local investors. Comprised of the Bourbon Orleans, Dauphine Orleans, Hotel Mazarin, Wyndham Riverfront, Audubon Cottages, Crowne Plaza New Orleans Airport and Hotel Le Marais, these are boutique and small upscale meeting hotels in prime locations throughout the city. For more information, visit the New Orleans Hotel Collection website at: www.neworleanshotelcollection.com.

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