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***New York Times* Best-Selling Authors Julie Andrews Edwards and Emma Walton  
Hamilton Craft a Delightful Tribute to Broadway for Young Readers**

# THE GREAT AMERICAN MOUSICAL

**By Julie Andrews Edwards & Emma Walton Hamilton  
Illustrated by Tony Walton**

Praise for *The Great American Mousical*:

“A Hilarious adventure! I love these mice – they remind me of some of my  
best friends!” - Carol Burnett

“Genuinely sweet and very funny. Delicious.” – Mary Rodgers, author of *Freaky Friday*

“Big of heart and deserving of an enthusiastic round of applause.” – Publishers Weekly

Beneath the bright lights of Broadway and a theater known as the Sovereign sits a long-forgotten architect’s model — the Sovereign’s miniature replica. In this secret space, a troupe of theater mice busily prepare to stage their own show, Broadway Airs. Suddenly the production is threatened by imminent demolition of the theater above and the disappearance of its star. As the clock ticks toward opening night,

everyone is worried if the little Sovereign will survive. How can they pull off the most important night in mouse theater without their star? Somehow, the show must go on!

*The Great American Mousical*, the latest addition to The Julie Andrews Collection, tells a charming tale of a cast of theatrical mice who live and work in a miniature world below Broadway. Young theater-fans will delight in this humorous and delightful insider spoof on life in the theater — written and illustrated by a best-selling team that has firsthand experience of this much-adored world.

**The Julie Andrews Collection** encompasses fiction and non-fiction for young people, ages 1-16, which nurtures the imagination and encourages a sense of wonder. Julie Andrews' work as an actress and an author has delighted children of all ages throughout her long career. Her own books speak of appreciating the joys of the world around us and the importance of preserving it for future generations. Books chosen for the Collection reflect these values and embrace the themes of integrity, creativity and the gifts of nature. The Collection includes new works in addition to out-of-print gems worthy of resurrection. Offering connections and gentle wisdom for the growing years, *The Julie Andrews Collection* helps to stimulate feelings of self-worth for young readers and promote understanding, consciousness and respect for the natural world.

**Julie Andrews Edwards** is one of the most recognized figures in the world of entertainment. She is perhaps best known for her performances in "Mary Poppins," "The Sound of Music" and "Victor/Victoria." She has also received critical acclaim for her stunning performances on Broadway in "My Fair Lady" and "Camelot." Ms. Edwards is the author of several favorite children's books, including three novels, *Dragon: Hound of Honor*, *The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles* and *Mandy*, as well as *Little Bo: The Story of Bonnie Boadicea*, and *Little Bo in France*, both illustrated by Henry Cole. She lives with her husband Blake Edwards in Los Angeles.

**Emma Walton Hamilton** is a founder and co-artistic director of Bay Street Theatre in Sag Harbor, New York, and is dedicated to bringing theater to young adults through her works with the Bay Street Theatre's Educational Outreach and Young Playwrights programs. She is the co-author of the *Dumpy the Dump Truck* series, *Dragon: Hound of Honor* and *Simeon's Gift* with her mom Julie Andrews. She lives in New York with her husband, son Sam and daughter Hope.

**Tony Walton** is a world-renowned set and costume designer for the theater and film. Among his many accolades he counts three Tony Awards, an Emmy, and an Oscar. He is equally well represented in print, with illustrations appearing in dozens of magazines and books and on posters.

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