

Broadway on the Moscow River

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On Monday Broadway hopefuls and fans can get the real scoop on singing and dancing their way to stardom.

Amateur dramatists and musical fans will have a chance to hear advice and encouragement from Broadway directors, choreographers and actors this Monday.

Broadway Dreams, a show featuring a mash-up of the world's favorite Broadway hits, is coming to Moscow. The live performance will be accompanied by a 10-day program of workshops, including a star-studded open lecture to kick-start the project.

The open lecture, entitled "Broadway. Myths and Facts" has been organized by non-profit educational program the Broadway Dreams Foundation (BDF). BDF helps young artists to develop their skills, regardless of their financial circumstances, by offering grants and support to talented students.

The lecture will be conducted in English with Russian interpretation. Speakers include Olivier-nominated theater director Arima Stafford and music director Varga Balint, who has

worked on hit productions like "West Side Story" and "Oliver!"

Other speakers include Spencer Liff, winner of the Fred Astaire Award for Best Dancer in 2008, "Hairspray" star Ryan Redmond and Matthew Scott, winner of the Barrymore Award for best actor for his performance in the musical "Light in the Piazza."

Attendance is free but participants should register beforehand at the following link: moscow-broadway.ru/actual/broadway-myths

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