

## HollywoodChicago.com Hookup: 38 Pairs of Sneak-Peek Chicago Passes to Steven Spielberg's 'Smash' on NBC

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CHICAGO – In our latest edition of [HollywoodChicago.com Hookup: TV](#) [8], we have **38 admit-two VIP party passes** up for grabs to the special sneak screening of the premiere episode of Steven Spielberg's "Smash" on NBC starring Debra Messing!

HollywoodChicago.com winners will be treated to a sneak peek of the first episode of the new TV show along with *complimentary popcorn and a drink*! **Following the screening, winners can stay for a Q&A with star Brian d'Arcy James ("Shrek the Musical") and legendary producers Craig Zadan and Neil Meron ("Chicago," "Hairspray")!**

The new TV show, which centers on the making of a Broadway musical about Marilyn Monroe, also stars Anjelica Huston, Jack Davenport, Christian Borle, Megan Hilty, Katharine McPhee, Raza Jaffrey, Brian d'Arcy James, Jaime Cepero, Will Chase, Phillip Spaeth, Wesley Taylor, Savannah Wise, Kristine Covillo, Leslie Odom Jr. and Blake Andrew Johnson.

"Smash" debuts publicly the day after Super Bowl XLVI. To win your free pass to the advance Chicago screening of "Smash" courtesy of HollywoodChicago.com, just answer our question below. That's it! This VIP sneak-peek party is on **Monday, Jan. 9, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.** in **downtown Chicago**. Directions to enter this HollywoodChicago.com Hookup and win can be found below.



Steven Spielberg's "Smash" on NBC with Debra Messing and Anjelica Huston.

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Here is the synopsis for "Smash":

There's nothing more exciting than the opening night of a hit Broadway musical – except maybe what happens getting there. While "Wicked" and "The Lion King" pack audiences on the Great White Way, Julia and Tom – a successful songwriting team played by Debra Messing and Christian Borle – begin work on a new musical based on the life of Marilyn Monroe. When a tenacious producer (Anjelica Houston) jumps aboard, so begins the difficult task of casting the silver-screen icon.

Ivy Lynn (a tough Broadway veteran) seems like the obvious choice. But enter Karen Cartwright (Katharine McPhee): a young girl from Iowa with a dream of making it on Broadway who walks in and blows everyone away. Who will get the part and begin a journey that will change her life? It's an age-old story, but a star might be born again.

While everyone is consumed with putting the show together, real life has a tendency of getting in the way. Julia and her husband are in the middle of a complicated adoption; the producer's husband begins divorce proceedings that could threaten the finances of the show; and the brilliant but womanizing director could derail everything if he puts the young star in a compromising position.

This will be a roller-coaster ride that culminates on opening night when the audience gets to determine whether or not the show is a smash. In the era of "The Voice" and "Glee," executive producers Steven Spielberg, Craig Zadan and Neil Meron (producers of "Chicago" and "Hairspray") and songwriters Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman ("Hairspray") bring you the blood, sweat and tears of the making of a Broadway musical.

A TV promo for "Smash" can be watched now below.

To secure your free sneak-peek tickets to "Smash," make sure you're logged into your HollywoodChicago.com account. If you don't yet have one, you can quickly [register here](#) [17]. **Having an account with a valid e-mail address is required.** Then, simply add a new comment in the form below. In your comment, include an answer to this question:

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**What does a new Broadway show need to be successful?**

This Hookup is simple! Just submit your comment below and we will award 38 admit-two tickets randomly via e-mail for our “Smash” Hookup. Good luck!

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*Winners need to arrive early as seats are consumed on a first-come, first-served basis. Since advance screenings are overbooked to ensure a full house, winners are not guaranteed entrance and must arrive early. We recommend arriving 45 minutes before the screening’s scheduled start time. Winners are typically e-mailed our advance-screening passes two days before the screening date. HollywoodChicago.com LLC is a promotional partner with the studio and its partners and doesn’t assume any liability for this giveaway.*



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