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All Star Musicals today confirms its line-up of six celebrities who will all be embarking on the ultimate musical theatre masterclass - culminating in a show stopping one-night extravaganza on ITV and ITV Hub.

The special will be filmed and aired later this month and the celebrities flexing their theatrical muscles on All Star Musicals will be;

Actress Jessica Hynes, barrister and broadcaster Robert Rinder, actor Barney Walsh, political journalist Robert Peston, doctor and presenter Dr Ranj Singh, and actress Luisa Bradshaw-White who will all be aiming to impress the star panel and virtual audience.

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All Star Musicals returns to **ITV** later this year for a spectacular one-off special that will see six celebrities flex their theatrical muscles on stage. Each of the celebrities will embark on the ultimate musical theatre masterclass culminating in a show stopping one-night extravaganza.

John Barrowman is back as the show's host with Elaine Paige heading up a panel of critics with a distinguished history in the West End and on Broadway. Joining Elaine on the panel will be returning **Trevor Dion Nicholas** (Hamilton, Aladdin) and **Samantha Barks** (Les Miserables, Frozen).

The special, produced by Multistory Media, will see a host of famous faces take to the stage to perform an iconic musical number. Each of the celebrities, all of whom have been selected based on their stand out performance skills, will be aiming to impress the virtual audience, as well as the panel.

Alongside the celebrities' performances on stage, viewers will also get to see John, Elaine, Trevor and Samantha perform together in the show's opening number.

The celebrities will be mentored by Elaine and supported by a West End chorus line and, in the lead up to their big performance, will receive training from expert choreographers and vocal coaches. The musical numbers performed will be from a range of famous musicals, both contemporary and traditional.

Each of the celebrities will be scored by the virtual audience and the critics with both votes combined to determine who will be 'top of the bill' and the 2021 All Star Musicals champion.

John Barrowman said "Now more than ever we're all in need of some fabulous musical entertainment and I can't wait to be reunited with Elaine on stage for All Star Musicals. We've got the most amazing show lined up with something for everyone and lots and lots of surprises!"

Elaine Paige added "All Star Musicals is a joy to be a part of, I'm so pleased to be back heading up the critics panel and mentoring our new celebrities. We've got the most wonderful evening of musical theatre and entertainment lined up for viewers and some very exciting surprises."

Katie Rawcliffe, ITV's Head of Entertainment Commissioning said "All Star Musicals returns to our screens at a time when we've been missing those powerful and thrilling live performances in the theatre. This one-off special will be a real celebration of musicals and I can't wait to see the performances our celebrities deliver on stage."

Simone Haywood and Claire Horton, Executive Producers at Multistory Media, part of ITV Studios said "We are delighted that All Star Musicals is back for another glorious helping of iconic performances that we've all been missing from the world of musical theatre. And what an incredible treat this year to be working with such a stellar line of up celebrities, who won't fail to surprise and delight with their hidden singing and performing talents"

All Star Musicals is commissioned by Katie Rawcliffe, ITV's Head of Entertainment Commissioning and Peter Tierney, Entertainment Commissioner. Executive Producers for Multistory Media are Simone Haywood and Claire Horton, with Lewis Thurlow as Series Producer.

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