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**SUBJECT: Star of Hamilton & In the Heights to Perform Virtually**

[Jasper, IN, Aug 21, 2020] Jasper Community Arts announced today that Broadway star Mandy Gonzalez (*Hamilton*, *In the Heights*) will perform a special concert, streamed live, on October 10.

Mandy Gonzalez has thrilled audiences on Broadway, lit up the screen on television, and started a social movement. While most recently starring as Angelica Schuyler in the hit Broadway musical *Hamilton*, she is best known for her emotional portrayal of Nina Rosario in the Tony Award winning, Lin-Manuel Miranda Broadway musical, *In the Heights*, a role she originally created Off Broadway at 37 Arts and which received a Drama Desk Award for Best Ensemble. Gonzalez also starred as Elphaba in the Broadway production of *Wicked*, blowing the roof off of New York's Gershwin Theatre each night as she belted out the signature song, "Defying Gravity." Other Broadway roles include Princess Amneris in the Elton John and Tim Rice musical *Aida* and the Broadway show *Lennon*, where she portrayed multiple roles, including that of Beatles' icon John Lennon.

Equally at home on the big and small screen, Gonzalez has appeared in *Across the Universe*, directed by Julie Taymor, as well as the ABC drama thriller *Quantico* and CBS's *Madam Secretary*.

The performance, which begins at 7:30 Eastern and is presented with support from MasterBrand Cabinets, Inc., will feature Broadway, standards, and pop; a live Q&A; and a duet with a local student.

Middle school and High School students in Dubois County are invited to submit an audition video for consideration. The selected student will have their duet premiered during the live stream. To be considered, students should record a 1-minute video of themselves singing one of the following - "For Good" from *Wicked*, "No More Tears (Enough is Enough)" from *The Donna Summer Musical*, or "When

You're Home" from *In the Heights*. Students should include their name, grade, and which school they attend.

Links to video submissions should be sent to [jasperarts@jasperindiana.gov](mailto:jasperarts@jasperindiana.gov) by 5:00 PM Friday, September 11.

Tickets for the performance are \$15 for individuals and \$35 for groups of 3 or more. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit [www.jasperarts.org](http://www.jasperarts.org) or call 812-482-3070.

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