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HGMC Announces Plans for 36th Season and Seeks Financial Support

Harrisburg Gay Men's Chorus completed our 35th Anniversary Season, presenting *35 and Still Alive!* in June 2022. After over two years without a live performance, we were thrilled to perform anew for a live audience.

2022-23 Concert Season Now we are preparing for a full schedule of live concerts for our thirty-sixth season. The chorus has four programs planned for this year. A Halloween fundraiser cabaret, *Time Warp*, will feature solo and small group performances. The holiday concert *It's Finally Time to Come Out for the Holidays, Again!* will have four performances over two weeks in December. This will be our first live holiday concert in three years. In February, in collaboration with Theatre Harrisburg, we will present *Desserts*, an anti-Valentine's fundraiser cabaret. Finally in June, there will be three performances of *Moving Along with HGMC*, our spring concert paying tribute to our local railroad heritage. Enclosed is a **Season Schedule Card** with all of our performances for the season. We also plan to continue to provide streamed viewing options for our concerts.

Interim Artistic Director We are excited to continue under the direction of Interim Artistic Director Stephanie Lynne Smith, who has been coordinating our program in person as well as from her home in Oregon. Stephanie has led several GALA choruses through interim periods, and we are absolutely thrilled to be working with her. Tracy Wieseman continues as our Accompanist and Assistant Director.

Artistic Director Search The HGMC search committee will reconvene its search for a permanent Artistic Director in January 2023. Interested persons should watch our website for more information.

Serving Central PA LGBT+ Community This past summer, the chorus amended its bylaws to welcome membership from any person who can sing TTBB parts. We will continue to provide the Central Pennsylvania region with entertaining, fun, and vibrant gay-positive musical programs! Using the unique power of music and the quality of our performances, we will advance our mission to break down the walls of homophobia and transphobia, through our diversity and visibility.

Free for All In keeping with our goal "to make the arts accessible to all," each performance of our holiday and spring concerts will be **available to the public free of charge**. We strongly believe this outreach to be essential in helping to enrich our communities with accessible musical programs that encourage appreciation of the arts, together with acceptance and understanding of diversity.

Support Us Of course, by providing tickets to our audience for free, we must rely heavily on the generosity of individuals and businesses like you to assist us in our outreach efforts. On the back of this page is information about how you can support the mission of the chorus. In addition to our perennial sponsorship and playbill advertising campaigns, we have revived our fundraiser cabarets, and added a new "dining with the chorus" event, which will tie in with the February cabaret.

Respond You may return the completed **Donation/Sponsorship/Advertising Form**, together with your check or money order in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope. You may also complete your transaction online, using all the options available through the secure PayPal interface, including credit card payments, at our website: www.HarrisburgGayMensChorus.org/Support.

Share Remember that you can be a part our community outreach by sharing our upcoming concerts and event information on your social media, and with your friends, family, and loved ones as well.

Thank you in advance for your continued patronage and generosity. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming performances!

With appreciation and gratitude for your generosity,

Steven Creps-Rougeau

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HGMC Support Opportunities

Donate/Sponsor Please consider donating to the Harrisburg Gay Men's Chorus today. We welcome monetary gifts of all sizes, and each gift is gratefully appreciated and acknowledged. Consider your contribution to be an investment in our future, and in the future of arts in your community. Information on sponsorship levels is included at the bottom of this page. For more information on sponsorship, visit www.HarrisburgGayMensChorus.org/Sponsorship. HGMC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, and all donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Advertise You may also purchase advertising for your business in our playbill. Rates and sizes are listed below and include an ad in the holiday and spring concert playbill. Please submit all advertising requests by Friday, November 18, 2022, to be included in our holiday concert playbill. Send ad copy to sales@HarrisburgGayMensChorus.org

Halloween Cabaret-Time Warp Sunday, October 30, 2022, 6:00 p.m. at 704 Lounge in Harrisburg. This fundraising cabaret returns with Emcee David Payne and features solo and group performances by chorus members. Show, costume contests and our famous cabaret buffet are included for a suggested donation of \$10.

Dine with HGMC! New in January! Join us in a chorus members' home for food and entertainment. There will be several options ranging from casual to fine dining, assorted cuisines, and various price levels. Please watch our website for more information and to purchase tickets, beginning December 1, 2022.

Anti-Valentine Cabaret-Desserts Not into Valentine's Day celebrating? Restaurants too crowded with all those love birds? Just need something to do on a Tuesday night? Well come over to Theatre Harrisburg's Krevsky Production Center and enjoy *Dessert*. Hosted by the fabulous Betty Whitecastle, you can treat yourself to a delicious homemade dessert, sip a glass of champagne and be entertained by singers from both the Harrisburg Gay Men's Chorus and Theatre Harrisburg. By purchasing a single \$30.00 ticket you will help support two of Harrisburg's cultural icons while indulging yourself with a bubbling evening of food and fun. The festivities start at 7:00 p.m. so you won't even have to rush from work or need to get flowers to spend the special day with us!

Silent Auction With our spring concert, *Moving Along with HGMC!* we will have our second annual silent auction with the official kickoff on May 28, 2023. There will be many great items to bid on. Look for the link to the auction on our website. Additionally, if you're interested in donating an item such as gift cards, theme baskets, theater tickets, B&B overnight stays, etc., please contact Marlene Kanuck at silentauction@HarrisburgGayMensChorus.org. Donations will be collected until April 10, 2023.

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Volunteer The chorus is always looking for volunteers to help with concerts, fundraisers, and other activities. If you would like to volunteer to help with a concert, to assist with a fundraiser, or to work a shift at the Farm show complex, please contact a board member or email us at info@HarrisburgGayMensChorus.org.

Hire the Chorus The chorus or an ensemble may be able to perform at your event! Advance notice of at least three months is required and is dependent on availability and repertoire. Rates start at \$250. If you are interested, please contact HGMC President, Paul Foltz at president@HarrisburgGayMensChorus.org.

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With Full Season Rates (2 concerts) - Sizes w x h inch

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5.5 x 8.5 (color)



Full Page - \$300
5.5 x 8.5 (grey)



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