

Dessert

An Anti-Valentine's Cabaret

A Joint fundraiser for Theatre Harrisburg and the Harrisburg Gay Men's Chorus

- Valentine's Day, Feb. 14th 2023
- Krevsky Production Center
- Doors open at 7:00 PM
- Show begins at 7:30 PM – two acts with an intermission
 - Show run time – approximately 60 minutes/ 30 minutes per act
 - Event runtime – approximately 2 and a half hours
- Tickets - \$30.00
 - Includes a homemade dessert and glass of champagne along with the Cabaret
 - Additional dessert servings will be available for sale as well as additional champagne for a donation.
- Cabaret structured and conducted/accompanied by Stephanie Lynn Smith, Interim Artistic Director of the Gay Men's Chorus
 - Event Hostess – Betty Whitecastle (Jeff Mitchell)
 - 2 or 3 maximum Guest Artists from Theatre Harrisburg
 - Each artist would perform one solo apiece in each act as well as, ideally, one duet
 - The Chorus and additional soloists from their ranks
 - Cabaret layout: Suggested and time dependent
 - Opening Number by the Chorus w/ Betty (*Good-Bye Earl*)
 - Solos by Betty, and each Theatre artist
 - 2 Chorus numbers (*Mr. Right Now*, *Joleen*), one ending the act
 - Additional solos, duets, trios as needed by Chorus members
 - Second half similar structure but a non-chorus opener
 - Solos for each Theatre artist and Betty
 - Possible duet for the Theatre artists (*Loathing* from Wicked or *Bosom Buddies* from Mame suggested)
 - One to two additional Chorus pieces
 - Finale for all participants: *No More Tears/Enough is Enough*
- Rehearsal Schedule
 - Sunday, 15 January, Afternoon time TBD – Unitarian Church of Harrisburg; first meeting with soloists, review show layout, initial rehearsal of songs. This will be broken out into more detail by December.
 - Monday 6th February, 7:00 – 9:00 PM Unitarian Church of Hbg, rough through of the cabaret with the Chorus, any staging for the finale

- Saturday 11th Feb - 60 to 90 minute appointment time rehearsals with all soloists and Stephanie, arranged one on one in the morning and afternoon; Theatre Harrisburg?
- Sunday 12th Feb – Chorus and soloists; Call time TBD (Evening); Theatre Harrisburg ?
- Monday 13th Feb – 7 PM, Full tech, run, Chorus and Soloists, Theatre Harrisburg
- Tuesday 14th Feb – 5:30 Chorus call, soloists as arranged prior
- Material – you are free to choose whatever songs you would like to do that fit in with our “Anti-Valentine” Theme. Stephanie will be accompanying all the singers. Below is a brainstorming list of titles to help generate ideas:
 - ☐ Bad Romance- Lady Gaga
 - ☐ Sonny came Home- Shawn Colvin
 - ☐ You Oughtta Know- Alan’s Morrisette
 - ☐ Good Riddance- Green Day
 - ☐ History of Wrong Guys- Kinky Boots
 - ☐ Love is blindness- U2
 - ☐ Anything by Adele
 - ☐ Just One of Those Things- Cole Porter
 - ☐ Toxic- Britney Spears
 - ☐ Making Love Alone- written for Bernadette Peters
 - ☐ Before He Cheats- Carrie Underwood
 - ☐ *Loathing- Wicked
 - ☐ *Agony- Into the Woods
 - ☐ *Therapy from Tick, Tick, Boom
 - ☐ Burn- Hamilton
 - ☐ Wherever He Ain’t- Jerry Human
 - ☐ I Don’t Remember Christmas- Maltby and Shire
 - ☐ The Internet is for Porn- Avenue Q
 - ☐ There’s a Fine Fine Line- Avenue Q
 - ☐ Get Out and Stay Out- Dolly Parton
 - ☐ I Hate Men- Kiss Me Kate
 - ☐ Tell Me On a Sunday- Andrew Lloyd Webber
 - ☐ We Are Never Getting Back Together- Taylor Swift
 - ☐ In Love With You- from “First Date”
 - ☐ Anything from “First Date”
 - ☐ Soulmate- Lizzo

If you need assistance acquiring sheet music, let us know; the chorus can help.