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“A memorable illustration of the purely theatrical magic that can turn the tinniest ear to gold!” - *Time Out*



BEGINS PERFORMANCES AT MILWAUKEE REPERTORY THEATER SEPTEMBER 8

August 15, 2017 [Milwaukee] - [Milwaukee Repertory Theater](http://MilwaukeeRepertoryTheater.com) begins the 2017/18 Season with *Souvenir*, a charming musical comedy beginning performances September 8 - November 5 in the Stackner Cabaret. Directed by Milwaukee Native Laura Braza (*Grounded*), *Souvenir* stars Marguerite Willbanks (*Broadway's Beauty and the Beast*) as Florence Foster Jenkins and Jack Forbes Wilson (*Liberace!*) as Cosmé McMoon.

Souvenir is a story of eccentric Manhattan socialite Florence Foster Jenkins who once declared, “people may say I can’t sing, but no one ever said I didn’t sing.” And, oh, did she sing – often and loudly, but rarely on key. Her recitals brought her a legion of die-hard fans, and she capped her improbable career with a Carnegie Hall concert that famously sold out in two hours. Her story was recently told in an Oscar-nominated film starring Meryl Streep.

Souvenir features music direction by Jack Forbes Wilson (*Liberace!*), set design by Lauren Nigri (*Raven Theatre's Betrayal*), costume design by Jason Orlenko (*Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill*), lighting design by Ellie Rabinowitz (*Bratton Theater's Close Up Space*) and sound design by Zack Berinstein (*Skylight's La Cage*).

Souvenir begins performances September 8 and runs through November 5, 2017 in the Stackner Cabaret. Tickets can be purchased online at www.MilwaukeeRep.com, by phone at 414-224-9490 or in person at the Ticket Office (108 E. Wells Street).

The Rep is sponsored in part by The United Performing Arts Fund.

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Souvenir

September 8– November 5, 2017 (Opening Night Sunday, September 10 at 7pm) in the Stackner Cabaret

by Stephen Temperley

Directed by Laura Braza

Featuring Marguerite Willbanks and Jack Forbes Wilson

Souvenir Public Performance Calendar

Artists, dates and ticket prices are subject to change

Souvenir By Stephen Temperley Directed by Milwaukee Native Laura Braza		in the Stackner Cabaret SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 2017				
Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
• Preview Δ Opening Night EB Early Performance AD Audio Described ◊ Closing Night			9/8 8:00pm •	9/9 8:00pm •	9/10 7:00pm Δ	
9/12 6:30pm EB	9/13 7:30pm	9/14 7:30pm	9/15 8:00pm	9/16 4:00pm 8:00pm	9/17 2:00pm 7:00pm AD	
9/19 7:30pm	BOSH HASHANAH 9/20 7:30pm	BOSH HASHANAH 9/21 7:30pm	BOSH HASHANAH 9/22 8:00pm	9/23 4:00pm 8:00pm	9/24 2:00pm 7:00pm	
9/26 7:30pm	9/27 7:30pm	9/28 7:30pm	YOM KIPPUR 9/29 8:00pm	YOM KIPPUR 9/30 4:00pm 8:00pm	10/1 2:00pm 7:00pm	
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10/17 7:30pm	10/18 7:30pm	10/19 7:30pm	10/20 8:00pm	10/21 4:00pm 8:00pm	10/22 2:00pm 7:00pm	
10/24 7:30pm	10/25 7:30pm	10/26 7:30pm	10/27 8:00pm	10/28 4:00pm 8:00pm	10/29 2:00pm 7:00pm	
HALLOWEEN 10/31 7:30pm	11/1 7:30pm	11/2 7:30pm	11/3 8:00pm	11/4 4:00pm 8:00pm	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS 11/5 2:00pm 7:00pm ◊	

Information

Tickets: www.MilwaukeeRep.com, by phone at 414-224-9490, or at the Ticket Office at 108 E Wells Street.

Hours: 12noon – 6pm; on performance days, the office remains open until 15 minutes past curtain.

Student Discounts: Students 18 and under can purchase \$20 tickets for select seating areas.

35 & Under: Select tickets available for \$20 for patrons 35 & Under. (Select 35 & Under price at checkout online)

Group Sales: Discounted tickets for parties of 10+. Call 414-290-5340.

Access Services

Audio-Described Performance: Sunday, September 17, 7:00pm

About Milwaukee Repertory Theater

Milwaukee Rep is a nationally-recognized company that presents compelling dramas, powerful classics, award-winning contemporary works and full-scale musicals housed in its three unique performance venues – the Quadracci Powerhouse, Stiemke Studio and Stackner Cabaret. The Rep also produces an annual production of *A Christmas Carol*, featuring a World Premiere of a new adaptation in 2016, at the historic Pabst Theater. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Mark Clements and Managing Director Chad Bauman, Milwaukee Repertory Theater ignites positive change in the cultural, social, and economic vitality of its community by creating world-class theater experiences that entertain, provoke, and inspire meaningful dialogue among an audience representative of Milwaukee's rich diversity.

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