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SIGNATURE THEATRE PRESENTS *SIGNATURE SINGS BROADWAY IN BALLSTON*, A FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT FOR THE COMMUNITY

- ***Signature Sings Broadway in Ballston* brings the magic of live musical theatre to the community**
- **Dynamic musical revue directed by Signature's new Associate Artistic Director Rick DesRochers**
- **Performances of classic and current Broadway hits by Signature's brightest talent**

Arlington, VA – Signature Theatre is proud to present a **free concert celebration** in Ballston's Welburn Square – ***Signature Sings Broadway in Ballston***. For 15 years, Signature Theatre has dazzled audiences with innovative new work and stellar musical theatre productions on the main stage. This summer, Signature brings the **thrill of live theatre** to the masses as a special gift for the community. The concert will be presented on **June 23, 24, and 25 at 6:30pm** with a special **matinee performance on June 25 at 1:00pm**. Welburn Square is located between Taylor and Stuart Streets, across from the Ballston Metro, and it has welcoming open lawn and park bench seating for residents, families, and commuters. Patrons are also welcome to bring picnic blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the event. The concert is free for everyone – **no tickets required!** For more information, please call 703-820-9771, or visit our website at www.signature-theatre.org.

“We are thrilled to share this **lively musical experience** with the community,” expressed Signature Artistic Director **Eric Schaeffer**. “Signature has received so much encouragement from the community over the years, and this is our way of giving back.” The Broadway-inspired concert is directed by **Rick DesRochers**, Signature's new Associate Artistic Director, and showcases an array of musical theatre favorites – classics, hits from newer shows, and of course, Sondheim favorites. The cast includes celebrated Signature performers **Bob McDonald** (*Putting it Together*), **Evan Casey** (*Allegro, Ten Unknowns*), **Lauren Williams** (*A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Allegro*), **Clifton Duncan** (*One Red Flower*), **Lynn Neal** (*Mack and Mabel*), and **Florrie Bagel** (*2004 Overtures, Signature's Musical Theatre Institute*). The hour-long concert includes unforgettable songs from *My Fair Lady*, *Cabaret*, *Rent*, *Company*, and many others. All members of the community are welcome and encouraged to enjoy the outdoor performance.

Signature Sings Broadway in Ballston is sponsored by Maxine Isaacs and James A. Johnson; The Annette and Theodore Lerner Family Foundation; BNA, Inc.; Freddie Mac; Heritage Tile and Escrow; Washington Theater Review; Arlington Community Foundation; International Humanities, Inc.; IDI Group Companies; The JBG Companies; Reed Smith; Martin-Schaffer, Inc.; Northern Virginia Community Foundation; Walsh, Colucci, Lubeley, Emrich & Terpak, P.C.; and Fraser Consulting, Inc.

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SIGNATURE SINGS BROADWAY IN BALLSTON

Directed by Rick DesRochers

Thursday, June 23 at 6:30pm

Friday, June 24 at 6:30pm

Saturday, June 25 at 1:00pm & 6:30pm

Welburn Square across from the Ballston Metro

4200 Block of North Fairfax Drive

(Between Stuart & Taylor Streets)

Signature Theatre

Signature Theatre is a non-profit professional theatre dedicated to producing contemporary plays and musicals and to the development of new work. Now in its 15th season under Artistic Director Eric Schaeffer, Signature has been nominated for 191 Helen Hayes Awards for excellence in the professional theatre and has been honored with 42 Helen Hayes Awards, including Outstanding Musical in 1992, 1993, 1995, 1997, 2000, 2004 and Outstanding Play in 1999. Signature Theatre is a member of the Theatre Communications Group, The League of Washington Theatres, the Cultural Alliance of Greater Washington, the Arlington Arts Alliance, the Arlington Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Washington Board of Trade.

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