



Twain Harte SIRs Theater Committee 2012
Chairman Dave Palmer
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GYPSY

Host: Dave Palmer

Ticket Price \$22.00

Payment due 3/21/2012

Wednesday April 11, 2012 – East Sonora Theater

Music by Jule Styne; Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim; Book by Arthur Laurents

The exciting era of vaudeville and burlesque in the twenties and thirties come alive in this classic musical fable centering on the early life of entertainer Gypsy Rose Lee. A moving theatrical experience centered on the thorny, but ultimately redemptive relationship between a mother and daughter, the score is jam-packed with iconic songs like "Let Me Entertain You," "Everything's Coming up Roses," and "Together Wherever We Go." The production is filled with humor, pathos and some of the most enduring characters ever to grace a stage.

Gypsy is considered by many critics to be the greatest American musical ever written.

RING OF FIRE: The Music of Johnny Cash

Host: Ralph Legg

Ticket Price \$20.00

Payment due 5/2/2012

Wednesday May 23, 2012 – Fallon House Theater

Created by Richard Maltby Jr.; Conceived by William Meade

A tuneful, foot-stomping celebration of America's legendary singer-songwriter Johnny Cash, as told through the songs he composed and recorded. Though he is never impersonated, his remarkable life story is told through his music, performed by gifted singers and instrumentalists climaxing in a concert that will both move and exhilarate! Ring of Fire is a soul-stirring journey into the heart and heartland of America, courtesy of one of America's most beloved musical poets.

"Surprise! The jukebox musical is alive and well, thanks to some fresh thinking from the man who virtually invented the form nearly 30 years ago--Richard Maltby Jr." — Variety

Alfred Hitchcock's THE 39 STEPS

Hosts: Dennis Honeychurch and Bill Bamford

Ticket Price \$20.00

Payment due 5/30/2012

Wednesday June 20, 2012 – East Sonora

Adapted by Patrick Barlow, from the movie of Alfred Hitchcock

Cross a Hitchcock masterpiece with a juicy spy novel, whirl it up with giddy comedy and wildly invented theatrical stagecraft and you have The 39 Steps, a fast and frothy whodunit that celebrates the magic of theater. When a beautiful and mysterious woman is murdered, the suave hero is falsely accused and pursued across the country in an unforgettable evening of pure comedic pleasure. More than 150 characters brought to life by a cast of just four brilliant comedic actors. This award-winning treat kept audiences rolling on Broadway for over three years.

"The most entertaining show on Broadway." — NY Post

CAROUSEL

Hosts: Henry and Pauline Beltran

Ticket Price \$22.00

Payment due 7/4/2012

Wednesday July 25, 2012 – Fallon House

Adapted by Benjamin F. Glazer, based on the play LILIOM by Ferenc Molnar

Book and Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II; Music by Richard Rodgers

When mill-town girl Julie Jordan meets carnival barker Billy Bigelow on a carousel ride, her life is changed forever. Flirtation gives way to love as the two are irresistibly drawn to each other in this glorious tale of love and redemption. The Tony-award-winning musical features a score packed with classics like "June is Bustin'", "Out All Over", "You'll Never Walk Alone" and "If I Loved You." With its splendid score and brilliant lyrics, Carousel was dubbed "*the best musical of the Twentieth Century*" by Time Magazine.

"As close to perfection as musical theater gets." — Boston Globe

THERE GOES THE BRIDE

Host: Rich Brandau

Ticket Price \$20.00

Payment due 8/1/2012

Wednesday August 22, 2012 – East Sonora Theater

by Ray Cooney and John Chapman

There Goes the Bride is a madcap race to the altar for the Westerby family. The father-of-the-bride tries to handle his daughter's wedding arrangements while juggling his frenetic advertising business. After a bump on the head, he meets a beautiful and rambunctious 1920's Flapper, but only he can see her. Compounding his problems are his intrepid wife, a critical mother-in-law, his hard-of-hearing father-in-law, a sarcastic business partner and a suspicious father-of-the-groom. This warm comedy is full of laughs.

"I found myself surrendering to the ceaseless bombardment of familiar nonsense laughing outright." --London Daily Mail.

Irving Berlin's I LOVE A PIANO

Host: Open

Ticket Price \$20.00

Payment due 8/29/2012

Wednesday September 19, 2012 – Fallon House Theater

Featuring the music of Irving Berlin; Conceived by Ray Roderick and Michael Berkeley
The great Jerome Kern once said: "*Irving Berlin has no place in American music. He IS American music.*" This charming showcase features Berlin's most well-known songs neatly united through vignettes from historical events of America from 1910 to the 1950s. Featuring such numbers as "Alexander's Ragtime Band," "Cheek to Cheek," "Puttin' on the Ritz," "God Bless America," and "Anything You Can Do, *I Love a Piano* celebrates Berlin's musical spectrum from the Tin Pan Alley period all the way to his Broadway sensation Annie Get Your Gun.

"I knew fifteen minutes in that I was thoroughly enjoying I Love a Piano — by the ending, I was in love." --- Los Angeles Times