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Broadway Rose Theatre Presents the Songs of Kander and Ebb



Tigard, OR – Broadway Rose Theatre Company kicks off its 2015 Season of Bright Beginnings with a retrospect of two of musical theater's greatest collaborators, John Kander and Fred Ebb. *The World Goes 'Round*, playing at the **Broadway Rose New Stage**, showcases Kander and Ebb's heart-grabbing Broadway show-stoppers. From *Chicago* to *Cabaret* and beyond, *The World Goes 'Round* is a thrilling musical celebration of life. Preview performance is Thursday, January 29 with opening night on **Friday, January 30**, and performances continue through **March 1, 2015**. Evening performances are Thursday through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are at 2 p.m. on Sundays, and on Saturdays, February 7, 14, 21, and 28. The New Stage is located at 12850 SW Grant Avenue in Tigard. **Tickets start at \$30** for adults, with discounts available for groups and youth. For a full listing of show performances or to order tickets visit <u>www.broadwayrose.org</u> or call the box office at 503.620.5262.

Together, John Kander and Fred Ebb have crafted some of musical theater's most poignant, witty, and romantic songs from Broadway sensations such as *Chicago, Cabaret,* and *Kiss of The Spider Woman*, as well as movie and television specials including *Funny Lady, New York, New York,* and *Liza with a "Z."* Rediscover these timeless gems in *The World Goes 'Round*, a sparkling revue celebrating life, love, and the fighting spirit (or coffee) that helps

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us through it. Songs include "All That Jazz," "Cabaret," "Colored Lights," and "New York, New York."

The revue was conceived by director Scott Ellis, choreographer Susan Stroman, and librettist David Thompson, who collaborated on such Kander and Ebb shows as *Steel Pier* and the 1996 revival of *Chicago*. David Loud created the vocal and dance arrangements. *The World Goes 'Round* premiered in New York City on March 18, 1991 at the Westside Theatre. Its cast included Karen Ziemba, Robert Cuccioli, Karen Mason, Brenda Pressley, and Jim Walton. The show received critical praise and a satisfying run of 408 performances.

Dan Murphy will direct the Broadway Rose production, with musical direction by Jeffrey Childs and choreography by Erin Shannon. The creative team also includes Sandy Skodrus (*Scenic Designer*), Grace O'Malley (*Costume Designer*), Gene Dent (*Lighting Designer*), Jeff Duncan (*Prop Designer*), and Jessica Downs (*Production Stage Manager*).

The cast includes Jennifer Goldsmith, Ecaterina Lynn, Erin Charles, Joey Côté, and Andrew W. Foster.

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