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Songs of Jerry Leiber & Mike Stoller

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PRESENTS:

SMOKEY JOE'S CAFÉ
THE SONGS OF
LEIBER AND STOLLER
Words and music by
JERRY LEIBER and MIKE STOLLER

*Staging and Choreography inspired by Jerry Zaks and Joey McKneely's
original Broadway.

DIRECTOR/CHOREOGRAPHER

Amy Baker Schwiethale

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Philip M. Taylor

STAGE MANAGER

Veniese Razo

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Jennie Hughes

ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER

Madison Bishop

LIGHTING DESIGNER

Alyce Murphy

SCENIC DESIGNER

David Neville

COSTUME DESIGNER

Cate Wieck

*Originally Produced on Broadway by Richard Frankel, Thomas Viertel, Steven Baruch, Jujamcyn Theatres/ Jack Viertel, Rick Steiner, Frederic H. Mayerson and Center Theatre Group/ Ahmason Theatre/ Gordon Davison. All of the songs in Smokey Joe's Café were written by Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller (alone or with others) except "Spanish Harlem", by Phil Spector and Jerry Leiber. Messrs. Leiber and Stoller wish to acknowledge and thank the following writers who collaborated with them on various songs in the show: Ben E. King, Doc Pomus, Barry Mann & Cynthia Weil, Kent Harris, Ralph Dino & John Sembello, and Carlo Donida & 'Mogol'. *SMOKEY JOE'S CAFE -THE SONGS OF LEIBER AND STOLLER* is presented through special arrangement with R & H theatricals: www.rnh.com.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Keshana Cook

Da'Merius Ford

Dylan Harris

Brittnee Hill

Amanda Huehl Phillips

Deiondre Teagle

Melvin Thampy

Madi White

Naaman Williams

Understudy.....Taylor Phipps

Drifters/Coasters Quartet Understudy.....Solomon King

PRODUCTION | DESIGN STAFF

Director / Choreographer.....Amy Baker Schwiethale

Musical DirectorPhilip M. Taylor

Stage Manager.....Veniese Razo

Asst. Stage Manager.....Madison Bishop

Assistant Director.....Jennie Hughes

Scenic DesignerDavid Neville

Assistant Set Designer.....Kenneth Stephens

Lighting Design.....Alyce Murphy

Lighting Board Operator.....Kyla Mansfield

Master Electrician.....Rose Bittle

Costume Designer/Wig MistressCate Wieck

Asst. Costume Designer.....Elizabeth Eckrote

Graphic Designer.....Danette Baker

Sound Designer/Audio Technician.....Marlo Griffith

Sound Design Advisor.....David Muehl

Rehearsal Accompanist.....JuleAnn Troutman and Linda Starkey

Audio/Mic Technician.....Sydney Jordan

Prop Designer.....Aaron Fink

Technical Director.....Ed Baker

Scene Shop Manager.....Jason Flanders

Costume Shop ManagerJamie Urban

House Manager.....Jacob Coldiron

Costume Shop Employees.....Brendan Kimball, Alexie Pearce

StitchersCody Buettgenbach, Alex Castaneda,

Elizabeth Eckrote, Hannah Fernandes, Marlo Griffith

Liz Jarmer, Paige Kliewer-McClellan, Kara McDaniel

Ryan Morrow, Alexis Scobee

Costume Day Crew.....Alexis Scobee, Alex Castaneda

Wardrobe Crew.....Ryan Morrow Rian Leigh

Followspot Operators.....Remy Lierz and Amber Stephens

THE BAND

Conductor/Keyboard

Phil Taylor

Piano

JuleAnn Troutman

Sax

Jason Whitmore

Jimmy Jensen-

(Sat. Evening performance)

Drums

Andy Slater

Bass

Deion Burton

Guitar

Micah White

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome and thank you for joining us for our first show of the 2015-2016 season in the School of Performing Arts. I can't think of a better way to kick off the season then with the legendary music of Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller showcased in Smokey Joe's Café. With the exception of "Neighborhood," it is a collection of their 1950's and 1960's pop standards made famous by musical icons such as The Drifters, The Coasters, Elvis Presley, Dion of Dion and the Belmonts, and Big Mama Thornton to name a few. The show opened on Broadway in 1995 and is the longest running Broadway musical revue with 2,036 performances. The original Broadway cast recording also won a Grammy Award in 1996.

As you experience the show don't try to find a specific plot or connect all the characters together in a linear fashion. Just relax and let the performers take you on a nostalgic journey that evokes your personal memories of these songs and the special times in your life that they make you think of. Feel free to snap, clap, and groove to the beats as you are "sittin' diggin' all the scenes at Smokey Joe's Café."

Enjoy and welcome to the house that the beloved Dick Welsbacher built.

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