

# **DECEMBER 18, 2023**



# Happy Holidays!

This is our 8th Tosco Music Holiday Party, and we're excited to continue the tradition of holiday songs and singalongs with family and friends and neighbors together at Knight Theater.

Born from intimate living room jam sessions more than 30 years ago, Tosco Music became a nonprofit organization in 1999 dedicated to helping people of all ages explore, develop, and share their passion for music in all its forms.

We've expanded to larger venues over the years and added new outreach programs like our open mic, music scholarships and music in the community for seniors and others. Our core values are the same — it's still all about music and community!

At each Tosco Music Party, nationally recognized acts share the stage with undiscovered artists and our audience members enthusiastically sing along. We strive to keep ticket prices low and offer discounts and ticket scholarships so that the music parties remain accessible to everyone.

Please support tonight's performers by buying their CDs, hiring them for your own event, and going to their shows.

Connect with us online to donate, volunteer or sign up for our e-newsletter. Give the gift of live music with tickets to our many upcoming shows. Tickets are on sale now!

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# **TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE**

# Sing Along "ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS YOU"

"Silver Bells" — Kendall & Hannah Rose Tosco
"Silent Night/Joy to the World" — The Ivey Ringers
"Merry Christmas, Darling" — The Charlotte Singers
"Christmas Without You" — Caroline Keller

# *Sing Along* "SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN" "WHITE CHRISTMAS"

"Let It Snow" – JazzArts All-Stars Youth Ensemble
"Winter Heart" – Reeve Coobs
"Mele Kalikimaka" – Asa Young
"Run Rudolph Run" – Austin McNeill
"Shake Up Christmas" – K. Omari Wilkerson

# Sing Along "JINGLE BELL ROCK"

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{INTERMISSION}}$  — Refreshments and artists' CDs are available in the lobby.

# Sing Along "MUST BE SANTA"

"Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" – Song Dedication
"Little Drummer Boy" – Quentin Talley & The Soul Providers
"Frosty The Snowman" – Trevor Cook
"Go Tell It On The Mountain" – Province of Thieves
"Ven a Mi Casa Esta Navidad" – Wanda Lopez & su Latin Band
"This Christmas" – Stephanie Massey & Kevin Jones

# *Sing Along* "FELIZ NAVIDAD" "WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS"

Program and artists are subject to change. No flash photography. Please don't disrupt others' views with cell phone cameras, and remain seated during each performance; only enter or exit between acts.

# **TONIGHT'S PERFORMERS**

#### Kendall & Hannah Rose Tosco

Kendall studied jazz as a teen with Bill Hanna at CPCC, and classical music with Jan Edgren of the Oratorio singers. She first sang at TMP in 2004, then several times with Justincase. She'll join them at their 10-year reunion show at Visulite Theatre on May 17, 2024. Hannah Rose, age 8, sang in a virtual TMP (2020) and twice at Tosco Music Open Mic. She enjoys learning from 4 music-educator grandparents. **charlottemusic.net** 

# **The Ivey Ringers**

Directed by Trevor Cook, this advanced high school handbell ensemble performs on 6 octaves of handbells and hand chimes, creating a rich pallet of sound and a visually stunning presentation. Founded 40 years ago by Bob Ivey, and based at Charlotte's First Presbyterian Church, the group has performed with Charlotte Symphony Orchestra and toured the United States, Ireland, Quebec and British Columbia. **iveyringers.com** 

# **The Charlotte Singers**

Helen McCorkle Finch founded this community chorus with 7 members in spring 2015. Since then it's grown to 70 singers, ages 17-80+, with a goal to provide fun, excellent music to Charlotte audiences. You can join them! instagram.com/thecharlottesingers

#### **Caroline Keller**

Born and raised in Charlotte, Caroline has always been a storyteller at heart. Whether it's her story or one of someone close to her, her timeless melodies and thoughtful reverent lyrics draw the listener in and transport them to another time and place making each performance more of an experience. Caroline is joined by her friends, fellow songwriters and bandmates John Christenbury (Bass) and Clint Presley (Guitar). For more information about Caroline and the band visit **carolinekellermusic.com** 

# JazzArts All-Stars Youth Ensemble

Directed by Lovell Bradford, this flagship ensemble showcases Charlotte's young ambassadors of jazz, the best and brightest young musicians from across the region. Alumni include rising stars Sean Mason, Luther Allison, and Veronica Leahy. Performing tonight are Lois Majors (bass), Gustavo Cruz (sax), Yusuf Davis (piano) and Luke Hegner (drums). jazzarts.org

# **Reeve Coobs**

Be it acoustic or electric, Reeve's artistry has an undeniable difference. Her unique and genuine approach to life and love are reflected in her craft. The way she emotes transports listeners to another place. A longtime member of the TMP Singalong Choir, the Charlotte-based singer-songwriter has just released a Holiday EP which includes one original and 4 wintertime favorites. **reevemusic.com** 

# Asa Young

Born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii, Asa spent his younger days learning how to play the ukulele and guitar from his family and growing a desire to perform and become a musician. He plays all types of music, but his real love is playing and singing traditional and contemporary Hawaiian, Ki Hō'alu (slack key) or ukulele, Asa has traveled the world performing and recording with many artists and loves to share his mana'o (knowledge) through lessons and workshops. ncbabooze@gmail.com

# Austin McNeill

A country musician with North Carolina roots, Austin's music is a fusion of country, rock, and blues. Born and raised in Rowan County, this small-town artist is making waves in the Nashville scene, chosen in 2023 to participate in the Tractor Supply Emerging Artist program. He's since performed alongside Dustin Lynch and at the Grand Ole Opry with CMA's artist of the year, Lainey Wilson. instagram.com/austinmcneillmusic

# K. Omari Wilkerson

A native Charlottean, Omari is a powerhouse vocalist of many musical styles, and a member of TMP's Singalong Choir since 2016. Omari has also performed in many musical and theatrical productions throughout North Carolina, including with CPCC's Opera Theatre (Eugene Onegin, The Barber of Seville), and with ECSU's University Players (Ain't Misbehavin'). facebook.com/kowilkerson

## **Quentin Talley & The Soul Providers**

This five-piece group pairs Talley's smooth poetic vocal melodies with live funk and soul. Members include Curt Keyz, Marcus Jones (sax), Jesse Williams (percussion), Tim Scott, Jr. (drums), Nero Tindal IV (guitar) and Courtney Gibson (bass). They recently dropped the EP, *Fall Thru* and are known for powering Soulful Noel each year, another well-loved Charlotte holiday tradition; this year it takes place Dec 22-23 at Booth Playhouse. instagram.com/qtandthesoulproviders

# **Trevor Cook**

A native Charlottean, Trevor Cook studied Music Education at UNCC. He performs regularly as a jazz drummer, vibraphonist, and classical percussionist. He directs the children's and handbell choirs at First Presbyterian Church, and maintains an active private teaching studio. instagram.com/trevorplaysthedrums

# **Province of Thieves**

This acoustic folk quintet features powerful harmonies influenced by folk rock, bluegrass, beach music and 80's pop. They won a Carolina Music Award in 2018 and released their 4th original album this year. The band includes Brad Davidson (vocals, Irish bouzouki), Greg Moore (vocals, mandolin), and Steve Allen (vocals, guitar), Jennie Brooks (percussion) Parker Foley (upright bass), and tonight they're joined by guests Bruce Keedy (mandolin) and Eric Sayne (banjo). **provinceofthieves.com** 

# Wanda Lopez & su Latin Band

A Cuban diva, singer and composer, Wanda performs over 20 styles of music. She began singing and studying music at age 13 in Cuba, then continued her music career in Ecuador before arriving in the U.S. in 2016. She's an energetic, award-winning vocalist who performs in festivals and concerts solo or with a full band. **carlotantalents.com/wanda-lopez** 

#### **Stephanie Massey & Kevin Jones**

Stephanie is a Charlotte native whose experience in chorus at Garringer High School led her to study music at Livingstone College where she was honored to sing for Dr. Maya Angelou. She has performed with the band Sol Fusion since 2012. Kevin is a native of Detroit where his artistry was shaped by the impassioned messages of music during the Civil Rights era. His vocal stylings, range and stage presence have thrilled audiences for five decades, and he's sung with the TMP Singalong Choir since 2015. instagram.com/ms\_massey2022, instagram.com/kevinjonessongstylist

Sing Along

# ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS YOU

(Mariah Carey & Walter Afanasieff)

I don't want a lot for Christmas There is just one thing I need I don't care about the presents Underneath the Christmas tree I just want you for my own More than you could ever know Make my wish come true All I want for Christmas is you

I don't want a lot for Christmas There is just one thing I need And I don't care about the presents Underneath the Christmas tree

I don't need to hang my stocking There upon the fireplace Santa Claus won't make me happy With a toy on Christmas Day

I just want you for my own More than you could ever know Make my wish come true All I want for Christmas is you, you, baby

Oh, I won't ask for much this Christmas I won't even wish for snow I'm just gonna keep on waiting Underneath the mistletoe

I won't make a list and send it To the North Pole for Saint Nick I won't even stay awake to Hear those magic reindeer click 'Cause I just want you here tonight Holding on to me so tight What more can I do? Baby, all I want for Christmas is you, you, baby

All the lights are shining So brightly everywhere And the sound of children's Laughter fills the air

And everyone is singing I hear those sleigh bells ringing Santa, won't you bring me the one I really need? Won't you please bring my baby to me?

I don't want a lot for Christmas This is all I'm asking for I just want to see my baby Standing right outside my door

I just want you for my own More than you could ever know Make my wish come true Baby, all I want for Christmas is you, you, baby

All I want for Christmas is you, baby

# **TMP House Band & Singalong Choir**

Rob Bloise James Brock Doug Burns Gustavo Cruz Reeve Coobs Julie Dean Gabby Farinas David Finch Jason Hackner Chris Jones Mark Larson Kevin Jones Stephanie Massey Scott McLaughlin Faithful Ngwenah John Richards John Tosco

# WHITE CHRISTMAS

(Iriving Berlin)

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas Just like the ones I used to know Where the treetops glisten and children listen To hear sleigh bells in the snow

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas With every Christmas card I write "May your days be merry and bright And may all your Christmases be white

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# Scholarships to The Swannanoa Gathering

Tosco Music and Charlotte Folk Society have collaborated since 2010 to offer youth and adult scholarships to The Swannanoa Gathering.

These scholarships cover tuition, room and board for the week-long immersive summer music programs taught by some of the best instructors in the world.

Applications are due January 21 and auditions will take place on January 28. See details at **toscomusic.org/scholarship** 

# JINGLE BELL ROCK

(Joseph Carleton Beal & James Ross Boothe)

Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell Rock Jingle Bells swing and Jingle Bells ring Snowin', and blowin' up bushels of fun Now the jingle hop has begun

Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell Rock Jingle Bells chime in Jingle Bell time Dancin' and prancin' in Jingle Bell Square In the frosty air

#### What a bright time, it's the right time To rock the night away Jingle Bell time is a swell time To go glidin' in a one-horse sleigh

Giddy up jingle horse, pick up your feet Jingle around the clock Mix and a mingle in a jinglin' beat That's the Jingle Bell Rock

Instrumental

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# **Our Nonprofit Mission & Impact**

Tosco Music provides live music with a purpose throughout the Charlotte region.

As a nonprofit organization, we present a wide variety of music through performances and outreach programs, foster a sense of community among listeners and performers through inclusive participation; and connect professional and amateur musicians to share and inspire one another.

Your donations help us serve the community with four impact areas:



- \* Bridging Cultures Through Music
- \* Supporting Musicians of All Ages
- \* Drawing Audiences to Charlotte
- \* Cultivating Audiences Across Generations

Thank you for your support!

**Tonight's Raffles** 

2 tickets per show. Winner's choice where multiple dates are shown.

- Raffle A The NY Bee Gees Tribute Knight Theater 1/13 The Sixties Show - Knight Theater 1/28
- Raffle B Elton John / Billy Joel Face 2 Face Knight Theater 1/6 CSO Star Wars: The Force Awakens - Belk Theater 3/15 or 3/16
- Raffle C Coconut Groove plays Steely Dan Middle C Jazz 1/20 Pat Metheny – Knight Theater 3/29

All raffle tickets are \$5 each, 5 for \$20, or 15 for \$50. Drawings are held before the closing singalong. Must be present to win.

Silent auction and raffle proceeds benefit Tosco Music's nonprofit programs in the community. Thank you for your support!

# **Silent Auction - TMP Song Dedication**

Win the opportunity to choose a song to be performed at the Tosco Music Party on April 20, 2024.

Offer your own dedication, or write one to be read from the stage.

Bid tonight using the QR code below.

Online bidding ends 8pm Wednesday, December 20 32auctions.com/TMP





# MUST BE SANTA

(Hal Moore and Bill Fredericks)

Who's got a beard that's long and white? Santa's got a beard that's long and white Who comes around on a special night? Santa comes around on a special night Special night, beard that's white

#### Must be Santa, must be Santa Must be Santa, Santa Claus

Who wears boots and a suit of red? Santa wears boots and a suit of red Who wears a long cap on his head? Santa wears a long cap on his head Cap on head, suit that's red Special night, beard that's white

# Chorus

Who's got a big red cherry nose? Santa's got a big red cherry nose Who laughs this way - "Ho, ho, ho"? Santa laughs this way "Ho, ho, ho" Ho, ho, ho, cherry nose Cap on head, suit that's red Special night, beard that's white

# It's all about the music & community!

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# Chorus

Who very soon will come our way? Santa very soon will come our way Eight little reindeer pull his sleigh? Santa's little reindeer pull his sleigh Reindeer sleigh, come our way Ho, ho, ho, cherry nose Cap on head, suit that's red Special night, beard that's white

# Chorus

Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen Carter, Reagan, Bush and Clinton

Reindeer sleigh, come our way Ho, ho, ho, cherry nose Cap on head, suit that's red Special night, beard that's white

Chorus (2X)

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# FELIZ NAVIDAD (Traditional)

Feliz Navidad Feliz Navidad Feliz Navidad próspero año y felicidad

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas From the bottom of my heart

## WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

(Traditional)

We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year

Good tidings we bring To you and your kin Good tidings for Christmas And a Happy New Year

#### **CHORUS**

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# **Living Room Society**

LRS is a giving circle of donors whose gifts of \$1,000 or more are paving the path forward for Tosco Music. LRS is named in the spirit of the original music parties when Tosco Music began with musicians and friends coming together to play and sing in the warmth of someone's home. LRS Gatherings now bring donors together in the same way.

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Feb 14, 2024 7:30pm Wednesday Booth Playhouse



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