

PRESS RELEASE

**Peninsula Community Theatre
presents**

“Sounds of the Season”

A Holiday Music Celebration

Presented weekends from December 2 through December 18, 2022

Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 pm.

Sundays at 2:30 pm.

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What is the Holiday Season without music? Regardless of which holidays we celebrate or how we celebrate them, the musical sounds of the season bring us all together. This December, the Peninsula Community Theatre invites you to join them for “Sounds of the Season”—a Holiday music celebration that will warm the heart, tickle the funny bone, please the ear, and remind you what the season is all about: love, joy, and laughter.

“Sounds of the Season” will feature beloved traditional Holiday favorites, some newer, less traditional songs, and a sprinkling of musical theatre pieces—all performed by a talented cast of 15 local performers under the stage direction of Jeff Corriveau and the musical direction of Betsy Forrest.

“We have had success previously with cabaret-style shows,” Director Jeff Corriveau explains, adding that “Sounds of the Season” is a celebration of all holidays celebrated at this time of year. Besides songs about Christmas, Santa, and snow, he notes that the show features “a beautiful Chanukah song, a newer song about the celebration of Kwanzaa, and nondenominational songs. We want to be welcoming to all. It is a collection of holiday songs threaded together by the beauty of the season and the values of generosity, love, and friendship.”

“Sounds of the Season” will also be an evening of comedy and fun. Some Holiday classics will be given a little comic twist; there may be references to the stereotypical “kookie relative” who inevitably shows up at family Holiday gatherings, and a healthy serving of mischievous merriment will be dished up by the one and only Carol Ann KaNipple—an audience favorite from past PCT musical cabarets.

“Carol Ann KaNipple brings us a great understanding of what theatre is about—even if it is all mispronounced and completely off-kilter,” Jeff says. “Due to her past success, we thought we would bring her back for an encore—to help create an evening that isn’t just a cabaret but a show linked together with a bit of story. Hence the return of Carol Ann KaNipple...and her twin sister will also join us this year.” Though there may be a few jokes that go over the heads of younger audience members, Jeff insists that “Sounds of the Season” is family-friendly fun, and parents are encouraged to bring their children.

Because the Holiday Season can be the busiest, most hectic time of the year, “Sounds of the Season,” with intermission, will not run over one hour and 45 minutes. “It

is the holidays, and we want to also get home and celebrate it with loved ones and families,” Jeff says with a smile.

This December, make the music and merriment of “Sounds of the Season” part of your Holiday celebrations.

Tickets are \$20. Discount tickets are available at \$17 for active-duty military and their families and seniors age 60 and older. PCT offers \$12 student tickets for those age 22 and younger to encourage our next generation to engage with live theatre. Group discounts are available for groups of 20 or more purchased together for the same performance. Tickets can be purchased online at www.pctlive.org or by contacting the box office at 757-595-5PCT (757-595-5728)

The Peninsula Community Theatre—at 10251 Warwick Boulevard, Newport News—is located in the heart of historic Hilton Village, within walking distance of some of the finest restaurants on the Peninsula.