

Broadway Rocks!

with the Minnesota Orchestra

Sarah Hicks, conductor

Anne Runolfsson, vocals • **Capathia Jenkins**, vocals

Robert Evan, vocals • **Doug LaBrecque**, vocals

Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus, Stan Hill, artistic director

U.S. Bank Pops Season

Friday, October 23, 2009, 8 pm | Orchestra Hall

Andrew Lloyd Webber	Overture to <i>Jesus Christ Superstar</i>
Charles Smalls	"Everybody Rejoice," from <i>The Wiz</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque;</i> <i>Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>
Frank Wildhorn	"This Is the Moment," from <i>Jekyll and Hyde</i> <i>Robert Evan</i>
Björn Ulvaeus and Benny Andersson	"Nobody's Side," from <i>Chess</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque;</i> <i>Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>
Billy Joel	"Movin' Out," from <i>Movin' Out</i> <i>Doug LaBrecque, Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins</i>
Frank Wildhorn	"Total Eclipse of the Heart," from <i>Dance of the Vampires</i> <i>Robert Evan, Anne Runolfsson</i>
Elton John	"Circle of Life," from <i>The Lion King</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque;</i> <i>Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>
Charles Smalls	"Home," from <i>The Wiz</i> <i>Capathia Jenkins</i>
Dennis DeYoung	"Come Sail Away" <i>Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque;</i> <i>Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>
Jonathan Larson	"Seasons of Love," from <i>Rent</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque;</i> <i>Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>
Marc Shaiman	"You Can't Stop the Beat," from <i>Hairspray</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Capathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque;</i> <i>Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>



I N T E R M I S S I O N

ca. 20'

Peter Townshend	"Pinball Wizard," from <i>Tommy</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Cpathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque</i>
Stephen Schwartz	"The Wizard and I," from <i>Wicked</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson</i>
Björn Ulvaeus and Benny Andersson	"Anthem," from <i>Chess</i> <i>Doug LaBrecque</i>
Freddie Perren and Dino Fekaris	"I Will Survive" <i>Cpathia Jenkins</i>
Andrew Lloyd Webber	"Superstar," from <i>Jesus Christ Superstar</i> <i>Robert Evan; Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus</i>
Björn Ulvaeus and Benny Andersson	Medley from <i>Mamma Mia!</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Cpathia Jenkins, Robert Evan, Doug LaBrecque</i>
Henry Krieger	"And I Am Tellin' You," from <i>Dreamgirls</i> <i>Cpathia Jenkins</i>
Andrew Lloyd Webber	"The Phantom of the Opera," from <i>The Phantom of the Opera</i> <i>Anne Runolfsson, Doug LaBrecque</i>
Andrew Lloyd Webber	"Music of the Night," from <i>The Phantom of the Opera</i> <i>Doug LaBrecque</i>

**Anne Runolfsson**, vocals

Anne Runolfsson has made powerful impressions in musical theater, concert halls and recordings. She recently completed a two-year run on Broadway as Carlotta Giudacelli in *Phantom of the Opera* and has also performed major roles in Broadway productions of *Victor/Victoria*, *Les Misérables*, *Cyrano: The Musical* and James Joyce's *The Dead*. She has performed as soloist with orchestras including the National Symphony, Boston Pops and Hong Kong Philharmonic, and this season she will debut with the Philadelphia Pops and Atlanta Symphony. Runolfsson, whose honors include a Manhattan Association of Cabaret and Clubs Award, is featured on the international cast album of *Les Misérables* and has recorded an acclaimed solo album, *At Sea*. More: annerunolfsson.com.

**Cpathia Jenkins**, vocals

Brooklyn native **Cpathia Jenkins** is a rising star on the New York theater scene and an accomplished recording artist. On Broadway she created the role of Harriet Jackson in *The Civil War* and appeared prominently in productions of *Caroline, or Change*; *The Look of Love*; and *Martin Short: Fame Becomes Me*. In 2007 she earned a Drama Desk Award nomination for her one-woman off-Broadway show *(mis)Understanding Mammy: The Hattie McDaniel Story*. She has recorded two albums featuring the music of composer Louis Rosen, including the 2008 release *One Ounce of Truth: The Nikki Giovanni Songs*. She regularly appears at such New York venues as Birdland, Joe's Pub and the Metropolitan Room, as well as at Chicago's Steppenwolf. More: cpathiajenkins.com.

Additional biographies are found on the next page.



Robert Evan, vocals

Robert Evan is equally at home as a Broadway principal, symphonic soloist and rock vocalist. He starred in the original Broadway cast of *Jekyll and Hyde*, playing the title roles for more than 600 performances. He has also appeared on Broadway as Jean Valjean in *Les Misérables*, Kerchak in *Tarzan*, the villainous dentist Orin Scrivello in *Little Shop of Horrors* and Count von Krolock in *Dance of the Vampires*. He is a member of the rock bands Trans-Siberian Orchestra and Menvra Realm, as well as lead vocalist for Jim Steinman's *The Dream Engine*. In the concert hall he has been soloist with many leading orchestras. His newest solo project, *The Rock Tenor*, premiered in summer 2009. More: rob-evan.com.



Doug LaBrecque, vocals

Doug LaBrecque regularly stars in theater productions in New York and elsewhere and has appeared as soloist with orchestras on four continents. Since 1997 he has been a regular guest of the Minnesota Orchestra, most recently performing in an all-Bernstein program in January 2009. He played the title role in Harold Prince's production of *The Phantom of the Opera* and starred as Ravenal in a Broadway revival of *Showboat*, among numerous other roles. He has sung with Carole Bayer-Sager at Feinstein's in Manhattan and other

venues, and once appeared on stage with U.S. Senators Ted Kennedy and Orrin Hatch, singing together at Hickory Hill in New York. His most recent solo recording is *Opening Doors*. More: douglabrecque.com.

Additional information on the four vocal soloists can be found at johnsuchartists.com.



Sarah Hicks, conductor
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Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus Stan Hill, artistic director

The **Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus**, founded in 1981 and led by artistic director Stan Hill, is an award-winning choral ensemble with a reputation for musical excellence and adventuresome programming. With more than 140 members, the chorus and its small ensemble OutLoud! perform a full concert season each year and are featured at additional events throughout the U.S. The chorus has commissioned numerous works, including *I Want More Life*, which will appear as part of a trilogy of texts by Tony Kushner at a concert in March 2010. Its other upcoming concerts include a celebration of the music of ABBA. More: tcgmc.org.

tenor I

- Rob Anderson
- Scott Azbill
- Kevin Boedigheimer
- Ron Boldt
- Kelsey Bruso
- Jeffrey DeSutter
- Mark Doerr
- Terry Erickson
- Al Greene
- Tom Hickok
- Nicholas Johnson
- Jesse Liu
- Lee Maguire
- Jay Olson
- JD Peters
- Omar Pineda
- Benjamin Rodich
- Rick Simon
- Mick Smuk
- Sean Sweeney

tenor II

- Michael Anderson
- Paul Betts
- Aaron Blasdel
- Luther Christensen
- Josh Cook
- James Davies
- Ryan Fink
- Shawn Frank
- Kent Gillespie
- Stephen Griffin
- Mark Haber
- Tim Harrington
- Danny Hatchell
- Bill Hoadley
- Matt Hoppe
- Mark Howarth
- Thomas Kite
- Paul Kulbitski
- Michael Lahr
- Daniel Lekatz
- Jeffery Linden
- Terry McEowen
- Chris Mellin
- Todd Niquette
- Shawn Nygaard
- Mark Peterson
- Joe Rand
- Chris Ridgway
- Jean-Paul Schirlé-Keller
- Greg Schooler
- Jason Schuck
- Darren Shaw
- John Stiles
- Jon Tufté
- Royce Vagnier
- Mike Werness
- Mike Will
- Butch Zelinsky

baritone

- Gregory E. Allen
- David T. Anderson
- Eric Ayen
- Jeff Brand
- Will Brown
- Ron Brunk
- David Keene Bryce
- Joe Buron
- Rick Christensen
- Steve Dahl
- Scott Dutton
- Mike Ferguson
- Jim Garness
- Jack Gburzynski
- Dan Gregg
- Del Grote
- Daniel Hennagir
- Ken Hoffmann
- Bruce Edward Johnson
- Timothy Kanaley
- Daniel Kennedy
- Leon Koljord
- Ben Lander
- Bill Lent
- John MacLean
- Michael Mlinar
- Todd Nesgoda
- Glenn Olson
- Thomas Peterson
- Chris Phillips
- Phillip Radtke
- John Salisbury
- Bob Schildt
- Lance Schneider
- Keith Seifert
- Stephen Sporer
- Michael Tauer
- David Wells, Jr.

bass

- Tom Becker
- Paul Blom
- Michael T. Brown
- Matt Butts
- Don Carlson
- Anthony Clark
- Michael Davis
- Jim Dayton
- Dake Dorris
- Robert DuBois
- Michael Foster
- David Gassoway
- Erik Hamberg
- Steve Humerickhouse
- Andy Kirk
- Eric Mahannah
- Les Mahla
- Kent Marshall
- Tim Mulhair
- Lane Oase
- Bret Pearson
- Mark Roske
- Daniel Smith
- Matt Stensrud
- Mark Storck
- Eric Strack
- Georg West III
- Chris Wogaman
- Kristopher Zitzman