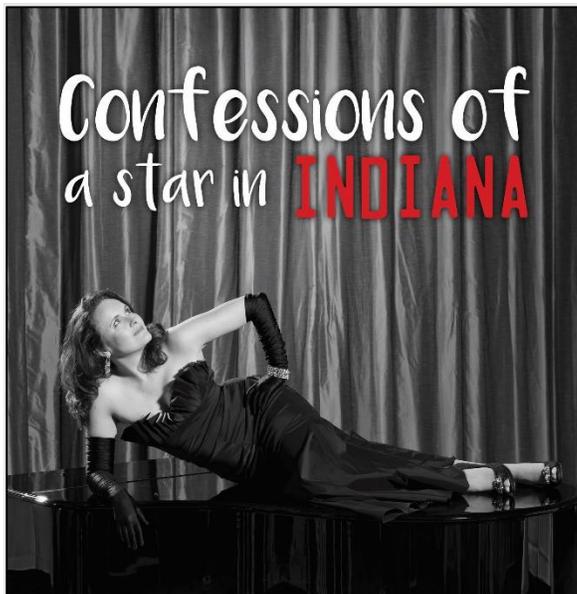


FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

***Indianapolis Cabaret Founder to Perform in Columbus***

**March 14, 2016 (Columbus, Ind.)** – Artistic Director and CEO of The Cabaret at The Columbia Club, Shannon Forsell, brings her acclaimed solo show to Cabaret at The Commons **Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.** Forsell's Cabaret show, *Confessions of a Star in Indiana*, features songs from Broadway to jazz, exploring how we choose to live, the choices we make, and how "forks in the road" shape and define who we are. Sponsored by Columbus Regional Health, Forsell is the fourth performer in the Winter/Spring 2016 *Cabaret at The Commons* series.



**Who: Shannon Forsell**

**What: Cabaret at The Commons**

**Show: Confessions of a Star in Indiana**

**Where: The Commons**

**300 Washington Street**

**Columbus, IN 47201**

**When: Thursday, April 7, 2016**

**Lobby Doors open at 6:30 p.m.**

**Dinner served 6:45 to 7:15 p.m. (RSVP required)**

**Cabaret begins at 7:30 p.m.**

Shannon Forsell is the founder, Artistic Director and CEO of The Cabaret at The Columbia Club in Indianapolis, a renowned venue that presents world-class Broadway, jazz and international cabaret artists in an intimate and sophisticated setting. Forsell has performed her own solo cabaret shows in New York City and was honored to be chosen to sing for over 30,000 people at the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Washington D.C.'s MCI Arena, the nationally televised event honoring the fallen firefighters at the one-year anniversary of September 11. Forsell was recently featured in Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra's "A Tribute to Marvin Hamlisch." She performs regularly as a headliner at The Jazz Kitchen and The Cabaret and with The Cool City Swing Band in Indianapolis. Former Miss Indianapolis and first runner-up to Miss Indiana, the Indiana native is a graduate of DePauw University and currently lives in Indianapolis.

**"Forsell has both the talent and the presence to have her name above the title. Now is the time to catch her before she departs for better things."**

***Indianapolis Star***

Forsell's love of cabaret began as a leading lady at The American Cabaret Theatre, where she performed in the repertory company in nearly every show for over a decade. Some of her favorite roles include Eva Peron in *Evita* and Sally Bowles in *Cabaret*. She has also performed at the Indiana Repertory Theatre Cabaret in *Romance/Romance* and at Beef and Boards Dinner Theatre in *Phantom* and *The Jungle Book*. Forsell has three solo recordings: "Songs I've Never Sung on Broadway," "Simply Standards" and "The Nearness of You: The Music of Hoagy Carmichael."

New this series, First Class Catering will offer a full dinner option in addition to a lighter hors d'oeuvres menu. Meal reservations are \$15 per person and must be made in advance by calling the Philharmonic office at 812-376-2638, x1. Patrons may choose from one of four entrées, including a vegetarian option. Meals include a dinner salad and dessert.

*Cabaret at The Commons* is Columbus' premier nightlife destination, featuring a dynamic range of captivating artists in an up close and personal musical experience. A full bar is provided by Joe Willy's Burger Bar. Supporting sponsors of the *Cabaret at The Commons* series include The Republic and City of Columbus.

Ticket prices are categorized into three affordable options: V.I.P. (\$50), Preferred (\$30) and General Admission (\$15). Tickets may be purchased online at [www.theCIP.org](http://www.theCIP.org) or by calling the box office at 812-376-2638.

## **ABOUT COLUMBUS INDIANA PHILHARMONIC**

The Columbus Indiana Philharmonic is proud to partner with The Cabaret at the Columbia Club to further its mission to advocate a life-long interest and involvement in music. The Cabaret at the Columbia Club is the only arts organization in Indianapolis dedicated to the art of professional cabaret performance, thus a valuable resource in recruiting world-traveled, top-notch performers to the Cabaret at The Commons stage. With a full complement of concerts and music education programs, the Philharmonic is honored to be one of the arts organizations that contribute to the rich quality of life enjoyed by residents of Columbus and surrounding communities. The Columbus Indiana Philharmonic is a public, not-for-profit corporation supported by private donations, the Columbus Area Arts Council, the Indiana Arts Commission, and the National Endowment for the Arts.