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CABARET IT THE COMMONS

TONY AWARD-WINNING ACTOR GAVIN CREEL KICKS OFF 2019 CABARET SERIES

January 22, 2019 (Columbus, Ind.) – Known to engage audiences with his "boyish charm and charisma," Tony Award-winning actor Gavin Creel will kick off the Spring 2019 *Cabaret at The Commons* series on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Currently starring in *Waitress* on Broadway alongside Sara Bareilles through February 3, Creel will take us on a journey through musical theatre history for an evening of familiar songs experienced in an entirely new way.

Creel made his Broadway debut in 2002 as Jimmy Smith in *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. After receiving a Tony nomination for Best Actor in a Musical for the role, Creel went on to perform in *Hair*, *She Loves Me*, and on London's West End in *The Book of Mormon* and *Mary Poppins*.

Featured as Cornelius Hackl in the 2017 revival of *Hello, Dolly!* Creel received critical acclaim for the role, winning a Tony Award, an Outer Critics Circle award, and a Drama Desk Award.



Who: Gavin Creel

What: Cabaret at The Commons

Where: The Commons

300 Washington St Columbus, IN 47201

When: Show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

Happy Hour starts at 6:45 p.m.

"Gavin Creel is brilliantly engaging!"

Paul Taylor, The Independent

While Creel is known for his Broadway roles, he recently began cabaret performances, presenting his debut solo show in October 2018.

Creel presents a laid-back and interactive cabaret experience, telling <u>Riff Magazine</u>, "I love being myself in front of an audience."

Doors will open at 6:45 p.m. on February 14, 2019 for Cabaret at The Commons with Gavin Creel. Cabaret-goers are encouraged to arrive early to socialize with friends and enjoy cocktails at the full cash bar.

ABOUT CABARET AT THE COMMONS

Cabaret at The Commons is Columbus' premier nightlife destination, featuring a dynamic range of captivating artists in an up close and personal musical experience. The 2018-19 Series is sponsored by Elwood Staffing with additional support from our Series Media Sponsor The Republic, and our Talent Partner The Cabaret in Indianapolis.

TICKET PURCHASING INFORMATION

Single tickets are available online at www.thecip.org, or they may be purchased by phone at 812-376-2638, x1 or in person at 315 Franklin Street in downtown Columbus. Series tickets are available for \$110/Gold Series Ticket and \$80/Silver Series Ticket. Platinum series tickets have sold out. Single tickets are available for \$55/Gold Ticket and \$40/Silver Ticket.

ABOUT COLUMBUS INDIANA PHILHARMONIC

Founded in 1987 under the auspices of Columbus Pro Musica, Inc., the Columbus Indiana Philharmonic and David Bowden have received local, state, national and international recognition, winning five ASCAP awards for Creative Programming and consistently receiving rave reviews for their performances. With a full complement of concerts and music education programs, the Philharmonic is proud to be one of the arts organizations that contribute to the rich quality of life enjoyed by residents of Columbus and South-Central Indiana.

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