

CABARET AT THE COMMONS

Philharmonic Announces 3 Shows in 2018 Summer/Fall Cabaret Series

April 23, 2018 (Columbus, Ind.) – The Columbus Indiana Philharmonic welcomes a dynamic range of captivating performers in a uniquely sophisticated setting for its 2018 Summer/Fall *Cabaret at The Commons* season. The following artists, each with a show theme, will perform in the series: Tony Award winner **Rachel Bay Jones** on Thursday, June 14; television, Broadway and film actress **Laura Benanti** on Thursday, July 26; and powerhouse vocalist turned Broadway favorite **Shoshana Bean** on Wednesday, September 26. This series is made possible by Elwood Staffing, Series Title Sponsor; The Republic, Series Media Sponsor; and sponsors of individual cabarets.

The Philharmonic will sell series tickets (all 3 shows) to the general public beginning Monday, April 23, 2018 with a discount if purchased thru Sunday, May 6, 2018. Series ticket prices increase on Monday, May 7, 2018. Single tickets for the series will go on sale on Monday, May 7, 2018 for \$60/VIP ticket and \$40/Preferred ticket. Patrons can order tickets in person at the Philharmonic Box Office located at 315 Franklin Street, Columbus, IN 47201; by calling 812-376-2638, x1; or online at www.thecip.org.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for each show in the 2018 Summer/Fall Series. Cabaret-goers are encouraged to arrive early to socialize with friends and enjoy cocktails at the full cash bar provided by The Garage Pub & Grill.

	All 3 Shows (thru May 6)	All 3 Shows (after May 6)	Single Tickets (on sale May 7)
VIP	\$170	\$180	\$60
Preferred	\$115	\$120	\$40



Thursday, June 14: Rachel Bay Jones | *Something Beautiful*

Tony Award winner Rachel Bay Jones (*Dear Evan Hansen*) takes audiences on a journey with the woman underneath 'Heidi Hansen.' In her brand new solo show, Jones explores stories of love, motherhood, theatre, and life, and shares with us her gift of bringing songs new meaning. It truly is something beautiful. Rachel Bay Jones won her first Tony Award for Best Featured Actress in a Musical for her role as Heidi Hansen in the Broadway phenomenon *Dear Evan Hansen*. She has also starred on Broadway in *Pippin*, *Hair*, and *Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown*. [View show information here.](#)



Thursday, July 27: Laura Benanti | *Tales from Soprano Isle*

In this intimate evening, Tony Award winning actress Laura Benanti will perform songs from her celebrated career and share humorous anecdotes and experiences she has had both on and off the stage and screen. She received a Tony Award for her role as Gypsy Rose in *Gypsy* with Patti LuPone and starred in *Meteor Shower* with Amy Schumer, Keegan-Michael Key, and Jeremy Shamos. Laura also starred in the revival of *She Loves Me*, *Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown*, *Into the Woods*, *Swing!*, *Nine*, *The Wedding Singer*, and *The Sound of Music*. Known internationally for her roles on television shows such as *The Detour*, *Supergirl*, *Nashville*, and *Nurse Jackie*, Laura brings her consummate performance style to its pinnacle in her one-on-one cabaret show. [View show information here.](#)

"She is flat-out gorgeous, sings like an angel, and inhabits a character with the sort of presence and total conviction granted only to a precious few." - Philadelphia Inquirer



Wednesday, September 26: Shoshana Bean

Inspired largely by Frank Sinatra, Aretha Franklin and Barbra Streisand, Broadway star Shoshana Bean's powerhouse vocals, for which she has become known, are visceral and heartfelt. She weaves effortlessly through haunting originals, new workings of contemporary hits and beloved classics. Bean made her New York City debut in the off-Broadway revival of *Godspell* and moved to Broadway in the original cast of the Tony Award-winning production of *Hairspray*. She then auspiciously stepped into Idina Menzel's shoes as Elphaba in *Wicked*, which she later reprised on the hit show's national tour. Her three solo albums have all topped the iTunes R&B and Blues charts in the U.S. Just released in February 2018, her fourth album, *Spectrum*, thrills with a new take on the classic big band tradition. [View show information here.](#)

"Not only does she possess, like Streisand, some exceptional singing chops, a gift for song interpretation and a sharp sense of humor, but Bean also has a distinctive personality, emotional depth and charisma all her own." - Indianapolis Performing Arts Examiner

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.

ABOUT THE COLUMBUS INDIANA PHILHARMONIC

Started in 1987 under the auspices of Columbus Pro Musica, Inc., the Columbus Indiana Philharmonic and David Bowden have recorded for Naxos Records, have been broadcast on national radio and TV, and have received local, state, national

and international recognition, winning five ASCAP awards 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 surrounding communities.

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