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**A LOOK INTO THE FUTURE**

Sunday, August 15, 2021 | 7:00 PM

#### **A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTORS**

We never know what the future holds – that’s the joy of life – but we are faced with our own choices every day. Are we going to look at the future with fear, or are we going to take what we’ve learned and hold our heads up high to handle whatever is coming our way? Whatever the future holds, our songs this evening are about facing the ever-challenging future with hope and determination.

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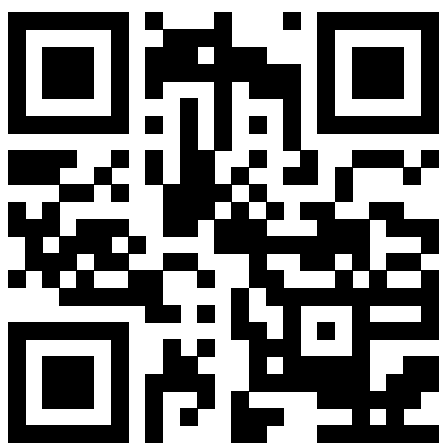
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- The New World.....HALEY HILLER, JOYCE HINNEBUSCH  
*From Songs for a New World* SETH LAIDLAW, JEFF WAY
- I Have Confidence.....AUTUMN HADBAVNY  
*From The Sound of Music*
- Journey to the Past.....PAULINA NEUSCHWANDER  
*From Anastasia*
- The Impossible Dream.....RYAN HADBAVNY  
*From Man of La Mancha*
- Everything Changes.....KATIE TRUPIANO  
*From Waitress*
- Impossible.....CYNTHIA DOUGHERTY, STEPHANIE OTTEY  
*From Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella*
- Fly, Fly Away.....MEGAN HENDERSON  
*From Catch Me If You Can*
- You'll Be Back.....DANIEL PIEFFER  
*From Hamilton*
- When Will My Life Begin?.....JORIE BAGNATO  
*From Disney's Tangled*
- Go the Distance.....JEFF WAY  
*From Disney's Hercules*
- Times Are Hard for Dreamers.....STEPHANIE OTTEY  
*From Amélie*
- Not for the Life of Me.....HANNAH BARTUS  
*From Thoroughly Modern Millie*
- We Can Do It.....RYAN HADBAVNY, SETH LAIDLAW  
*From The Producers*
- We Look to You.....CAITLIN OVERTON  
*From The Prom*
- You've Got Possibilities.....MEGAN HENDERSON  
*From It's a Bird, It's a Plane, It's Superman*
- Make Someone Happy.....AUTUMN HADBAVNY  
*From Do Re Mi*
- Let Me Be Your Star.....JOYCE HINNEBUSCH, CARA MCCLAIN  
*From SMASH*
- You Will Be Found.....TONY HANES  
*From Dear Evan Hansen*
- Back to Before.....CYNTHIA DOUGHERTY  
*From Ragtime*
- Our Time.....COMPANY, RYAN HADBAVNY, JOYCE HINNEBUSCH  
*From Merrily We Roll Along* SETH LAIDLAW, DANIEL PIEFFER, JEFF WAY

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**HALEY HILLER** is thrilled to be a part of this wonderful summer concert series! She has performed in past Stage 62 productions including *Evita*, *The Rocky Horror Show*, and *Guys and Dolls*, and has been honored to serve as secretary on the executive board for the past 2 years! Lots of love to her fellow performers and her family, especially Mike and Myles!

**JOYCE HINNEBUSCH** is thrilled to take part in Stage 62's return to the stage! She hates to miss a thing, so has participated in a variety of roles with 62 over the past 10 years (time flies!), both on and offstage. Thanks for coming and supporting Stage 62!

**SETH LAIDLAW** is a Pittsburgh-based artist, arts administrator, director, and producer. He currently serves as Senior Arts Education Program Manager at the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust and President of Stage 62, where he most recently directed *Forever Plaid* at Crafton Park. Past favorite roles include Rooster in *Annie* and William Barfee in *25th Annual... Spelling Bee*. Seth is so excited to be singing songs of hope and the future with friends and family of Stage 62.

**JEFF WAY** is thrilled to be able to perform with Stage 62 once again. Most recently, Jeff appeared as Jinx in *Forever Plaid*. Other Stage 62 credits include *Guys and Dolls* (Nicely Nicely), *Dogfight* (Lounge Singer), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Jesus), and more! Special thanks to everyone involved in making this summer series a truly memorable experience.

**AUTUMN HADBAVNY** is excited for her Stage 62 debut joining the magical roster of *Songs from the Steps* singers! Autumn performs regularly in the local jazz community and has been seen on stage with Split Stage Productions, Apple Hill Players, and The Theatre Factory. She currently supports the Stage 62 community serving as PR Chair.

**PAULINA NEUSCHWANDER** is from Pittsburgh and is a recent graduate of Duquesne University. She has been actively involved in musical theater her whole life, and though she now works in marketing, she will continue to follow her passion by auditioning for local companies. Paulina's favorite role was Dorothy Gale in *The Wizard of Oz*, and she is thrilled for the opportunity Stage 62 has given her to perform again in *Songs from the Steps*. Enjoy!



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**RYAN HADBAVNY** is the Communications Chair for the Stage 62 Board and hosts the Stage 62 Podcast. He was just seen as Frankie in *Forever Plaid* and is excited to be performing on the same stage (or steps) as his wife, Autumn, in *Songs from the Steps*.

**KATIE TRUPIANO** is delighted to be singing again since her appearances in Stage 62's *Annie* and *Yo, Vikings!* She works as City Theatre Company's Director of Education and performs with various companies around the Pittsburgh area. When not on stage, Katie wrangles her toddler, travels, drinks coffee, and reads romance novels.

**CYNTHIA DOUGHERTY** has been performing with Stage 62 since 1994 and is thrilled to be back performing with her original theater family. She resides in Carnegie with her husband and six rescue dogs.

**STEPHANIE OTTEY** was last seen on stage saying "Goodnight Moon" as Old Lady and is overjoyed to be saying hello to you all now! Chair of the Stage 62 FUNdraising Committee, Stephanie is deeply grateful for the support received over the last year that makes this post-pandemic performance possible!

**MEGAN HENDERSON:** This is Megan's fourth time performing with Stage 62, having participated in *Hairspray* (2019), *Goodnight Moon* (2020), and last fall's *Songs from the Steps*. She is elated to be returning to live theater and cannot thank her friends and family enough for their unwavering support... and for never asking her to turn the music down. Most importantly, thank you for choosing to share in our joy and live music again; Stage 62 could not have burst back into song this year without our friends and patrons who have missed us so! Welcome back and please enjoy the show!

**DANIEL PIEFFER** was in the ensemble for Stage 62's productions of *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* and *Mamma Mia!* He is a recent graduate of the University at Buffalo's BFA Music Theatre program.

**JORIE BAGNATO** is so excited to be back on "stage" for *Songs from the Steps!* Some of her favorite Stage 62 credits include *Junie B. Jones*, *Guys & Dolls*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Side Show*, and *The Wedding Singer*. In addition to performing, Jorie also serves as a Managing Director on Stage 62's Executive Committee.



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**HANNAH BARTUS** is originally from Moon Township, PA and is thrilled to be in her first performance with Stage 62! She is a recent graduate of Robert Morris University and is now an IT Security Administrator. Her favorite previous roles include Gertrude McFuzz and Dorothy Gale. She would like to thank Stage 62 for this amazing opportunity to work with such amazing talent on and off stage.

**CAITLIN OVERTON:** Originally from northeastern Ohio, Caitlin has been singing for almost 20 years. A graduate of Lee University in Cleveland, TN, she moved to Pittsburgh in October 2019 to get some roots and look for more opportunities. She is very excited to be with Stage 62!

**CARA MCCLAINE** is a Carnegie native that has been performing with Stage 62 since 2000. Along with performing, she also enjoys choreographing, directing, and styling wigs for Stage 62.

**TONY HANES** is originally from St. Marys, PA, but now resides in Pittsburgh and works as a floral and graphic designer. He enjoys long walks by the Ohio River and singing loudly in his apartment, much to his neighbors' resentment. While he hasn't been involved with any Stage 62 productions yet, some memorable theatre experiences include *Children of Eden* (Cain/Japheth) at The Strand Theater, *Seussical* (Horton) at RMU, and *Godspell* (Lamar) with Assumption Theatre Guild. [www.tonyhanesdesigner.com](http://www.tonyhanesdesigner.com)

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music & lyrics by Cynthia Dougherty



May 15–23

## Forever Plaid

directed by Seth Laidlaw



June 20, July 18, August 15

## Songs from the Steps

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