



CENTER REPERTORY COMPANY PRESENTS SCINTILLATING AND SULTRY MUSICAL MASTERPIECE

CABARET

May 26 – June 23, 2024 (opening night: May 28) LESHER CENTER FOR THE ARTS, WALNUT CREEK

WHAT:

Center Repertory Company closes its season with Tony Award-winning musical masterpiece *Cabaret*. At the close of the 1920s in Berlin, hedonistic nightlife thrives at the seedy Kit Kat Klub, where a band of misfits forget the troubles of the changing world outside. Led by an irreverent Master of Ceremonies, the Kit Kat Klub serves as a hotbed for free expression and love, as American writer Clifford Bradshaw falls for the cabaret chanteuse Sally Bowles. With provocative grit, scintillating choreography, and a highly celebrated score by John Kander and Fred Ebb, *Cabaret* vividly brings to life the end of the Weimarera jazz age, as the club's nihilistic habitués mock the ominous political rise of the Nazis to power. *The New York Times* deemed *Cabaret* "a stunning musical. This marionette's-eye view of a time and place in our lives that was brassy, wanton, carefree, and doomed to crumble is brilliantly conceived." Center REP Artistic Producer Markus Potter will helm this iconic musical.

Cabaret

Book by Joe Masteroff

Based on the play by John Van Dutren and Stories by Christopher Isherwood

Music by John Kander, Lyrics by Fred Ebb

Directed by Markus Potter Choreographed by Jessica Chen

WHEN: Previews: Sunday, May 26, 2024

Opening: Tuesday, May 28, 2024 Closing: Sunday, June 23, 2024

ASL interpreted performance: 2:30pm Saturday, June 15, 2024 "Pay What You Can" performance: Sunday, May 26, 2024

SHOWS: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays: 7:30pm

Saturdays: 2:30pm & 7:30pm

Sundays: 2:30pm

WHERE: Lesher Center for the Arts (1601 Civic Dr, Walnut Creek)

TICKETS: For tickets (\$48-\$73) or more information, the public may visit

lesherartscenter.org or call the box office at 925-943-7469 (open Wed-Sun,

12:00pm-6:00pm). Prices subject to change.

"Pay What You Can" tickets (suggested price of \$25) offered for the performance on May 26, 2024.

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PHOTOS: Downloadable high-res photos are available: https://cbpr.co/press/cabaret