



For Immediate Release:

The Marvelous Wonderettes

PRESS OPENING: FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2015 AT 8 PM

Reception Immediately Following the Performance

OPEN DOOR THEATER
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Previews: Jan. 16 & 17 at 8PM, Jan. 18 at 2PM

Fridays: Jan. 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13 and 20 8 PM

Saturdays: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14 and 21 at 8 PM

Sundays: Jan. 25, Feb. 8, 15 and 22 at 2 PM

Tickets

Previews & Students: \$15

General Admission: \$25

Seniors: \$22

Group Rate (8+): \$20

The Open Door Theater is located in the historical Harrison Arts District of Oak Park, easily reached either by exiting 290 at Austin or by the Blue Line at the Oak Park Avenue stop. Free parking is available in the parking lot for Scheck & Siress – directly across the street from the theater on Friday evenings and all day/night on Saturdays and Sundays – and on Harrison as well as on Ridgeland north of Harrison Street. Detailed directions to the theater are on our website: www.opendoorrep.org

Open Door Repertory Company presents

The Marvelous Wonderettes

Written & Created by Roger Bean

Musical Arrangements by Brian William Baker Orchestrations by Michael Borth

Vocal Arrangements by Roger Bean & Brian William Baker

The show will begin previews in Open Door Repertory Company's beautiful, intimate space on Friday, January 16, 2015 and open for the press on Friday, January 23, 2015 at 8:00pm. The production runs through Sunday, February 22, 2015.

Open Door Rep is excited to bring this small off-Broadway hit to its stage. The show, which The New York Times called "One irresistible musical! An utter charm bomb!", features over thirty 50's and 60's songs sung by a quartet of incredible women, The Wonderettes. The story begins at their 1958 Springfield High Senior Prom and continues at their 10th High School Reunion. Included in the pure fun, over-the-top score are classics such as: *Lollipop*, *Dream Lover*, *Stupid Cupid*, *Lipstick on Your Collar*, *It's My Party*, *Son of a Preacher Man*, *Respect*, *Sincerely*..

Ashton Byrum directs and choreographs in his Open Door Rep premiere. Ashton Byrum has appeared on Broadway in *A Christmas Carol*, in several National Tours including *The Producers*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Grease* and *Will Rogers Follies*, and with major regional and stock theaters around the country. Recently, he performed in the Launch Concert for the FWD Theatre Project at City Winery. He's currently Coordinator of the Musical Theatre program at Columbia College Chicago.

The cast includes Elya Bottiger (Suzy), Sarah Conrad (Berry Jean), Lauren Kerbs (Cindy Lou) and Molly Kral (Missy).

The production and design team include Ilana Atkins (Musical Directon), Alison Ennis (Stage Manager), Dustin Pettegrew (Scenic Design/Painting), Josh Prisching (Lighting Design), Patti Roeder (Costume Design), Sophia Briones (Props Artisan) Stevan Saliny (Company Technical Director) and Mary Pat Sieck (Producer).

Open Door Repertory Company is a professional non-equity theater organization passionately committed to inspire, to entertain, and to develop productions that promote the diversity of our community.