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TEEN BENEFIT CABARET June 5 at 8pm

WFT@BU's Teen Cabaret is a student led, directed, managed, and acted full length cabaret performance of show tunes selected specifically for the performers. The proceeds from this performance will go to the WFT@BU's scholarship fund.

All the songs surround the theme: "relationships". We strongly believe this theme represents WFT@BU's commitment to creating art that establishes and strengthens relationships that cross generations, gender, race, religion, sexuality, and all other identifiers.

A suggested donation of \$20 will be collected at the door

Join us for Season 39







Teen Performance Ensemble's

Production of



May 31 & June 1, 2019

Book and Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens Music by Stephen Flaherty

Based Upon the Novel "My Love, My Love" by **Rosa Guy** Originally Directed and Choreographed on Broadway by **Graciela Daniele** Playwrights Horizons, Inc. Produced "Once On This Island" Off-Broadway in 1990 Originally Produced on Broadway by The Shubert Organization, Capital Cities/ABC, Inc. Suntory International Corporation and James Walsh. In Association with Playwrights Horizon

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Cast

(In Alphabetical Order)

Travis Ambroise Danielle Barnes Brvan Baumer Olivia Belleville Kennedy Campbell Mikah Cassidy Jackson Daley Allison Eunis Ananda Geller Liann Greggory Katherine Gustafson Nadine Johnson Griffin Long-Sinnott Keza Mitala Paige Naumnik Will Palmucci Lily Park Dhruva Ram Maggie Reichgott Leo Ruckenstein Maxwell Seelig **Delaney Walkes** Artemis Wheelock Iain Yarbrough

Gamalia Pharms Olivia Smith **Genevieve Smith**

Director

Music Director Choreographers Stage Manager Set & Props Designer **Costume Designer** Lighting Designer Sound & Projection Designer Captioning Run Crew

Tonton Julian Asaka Storyteller Storyteller Mama Euralie Ti Moune Storyteller Villager Grand Homme/Gossiper Papa Ge Storvteller Grand Homme/Gossiper Storyteller/Daniel's Father Villager Andrea Gatekeeper Storyteller Storyteller Grand Homme/Gossiper Villager Agwe Storyteller Erzulie Daniel Beauxhomme

Grandma Little Girl/Young Ti Moune Little Girl/Young Ti Moune

Production Team

Featuring

Jeri Hammond Nathan Urdangen Yewande Odetoyinbo, Dwayne Mitchell Alyse Clinton Esme Allen Brittany Mehan Neil Gustafson Kyle Staam Ruth Kahn Olivia Browne

Band

Nathan Urdangen (Conductor/Keyboard) Daniel Assis (Bass) Peter Broggi (Percussion) Nick Larimore (Guitar) David Stevens (Reeds)

Musical Numbers

"Prologue/We Dance"	Company	
"One Small Girl"	Tonton Julian, Mama Euralie, Little Ti Moune,	
	Company	
"Waiting for Life"	Ti Moune, Company	
"And the Gods Heard Her Prayer"	Asaka, Agwe, Papa Ge, Erzulie	
"Rain"	Agwe, Company	
"Discovering Daniel"	Ti Moune, Company	
"Pray"	Ti Moune, Tonton Julian, Mama Euralie, Company	
"Forever Yours"	Ti Moune, Daniel, Papa Ge, Company	
"Ti Moune"	Mama Euralie, Tonton Julian, Ti Moune, Company	
"Mama Will Provide"	Asaka, Company	
"Some Say"	Company	
"The Human Heart"	Erzulie, Company	
"Gossip"	Gossipers	
"Some Girls"	Daniel	
"The Ball"	Andrea, Daniel, Company	
"Ti Moune's Dance"	Band	
"When We Are Wed"	Andrea, Ti Moune, Daniel	
"Forever Yours" (reprise)	Papa Ge, Ti Moune, Erzulie, Company	
"A Part of Us"	Mama Euralie, Tonton Julian, Company	
"Why We Tell the Story"	Company	
Director's Note		

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"Our lives become the stories that we weave."

Through the honest telling of a story, theatre touches our hearts, makes us think, and encourages us to look at our world and each other with greater empathy. The complex ensemble work, important themes, acting, singing and dancing demands made Once on this Island a perfect learning opportunity for the Teen Ensemble. But, it was its focus on storytelling and the shear beauty of the piece that drew us in.

The story I wish you could see is one of growth. I wish you could have seen where we started in order to appreciate the individual and collective growth, the creative process, hard work, and risk- taking that brought us to the story we share with you today. I hope you can sense it.

As one of our actors said at the end of a rehearsal, "This show is special not only because of what we made it, but because of what it has made us."

And that is why we tell the story.

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