

ASOLO REPERTORY THEATRE

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Asolo Rep Announces its Final Production of the 13-14 Season, the New Musical *BARITONES UNBOUND:* *Celebrating the UnCommon Voice of the Common Man*

**“[The Baritones] take their audience on an educational and highly entertaining time-traveling ride from Rossini to Rodgers and Hammerstein, 'The Barber of Seville' to the 'Demon Barber of Fleet Street,' Gilbert and Sullivan to Sinatra and Sondheim, and 'Rigoletto' to Rock 'n' Roll.” –
Broadway World**

(SARASOTA, February 19, 2014) — Asolo Repertory Theatre’s 2013-14 season will go out with the booming sounds of ***BARITONES UNBOUND: Celebrating the UnCommon Voice of the Common Man***. The classic baritone voice is back and bolder than ever in this momentous musical event featuring three dynamic singers. The show’s preview will be **Friday, June 6**, opening night will be **Saturday, June 7 at 8pm** and the show will run through **Sunday, June 29** in the Mertz Theatre. Creator and three-time Tony Award nominee Marc Kudisch will star in this charming musical journey, which was developed at ArtsEmerson with Director of Artistic Programs David Dower, and had its world premiere at Boston’s Paramount Center Mainstage last October.

“Spotlighting the quintessential American voice – the baritone – this brand-new, must-see musical event features some of the finest music ever written for the male voice. Whether in opera, operetta or Broadway, no voice type has been more bold, more iconic, or more powerful than the baritone. ***BARITONES UNBOUND*** promises to be fresh, amusing, and thrilling – a true celebration of the American sound,” said Michael Donald Edwards, Producing Artistic Director of Asolo Rep.

In the first act, the powerhouse trio belts out some of the most memorable baritone songs of all time, including classics from *The Barber of Seville* and *Oklahoma!* The stage is transformed into a musical man cave for the second act, complete with leather recliners, beer, and the sounds of the king himself, Elvis Presley, Neil Diamond and, of course, some Sinatra.

TICKETS

Tickets for **BARITONES UNBOUND** and the entire 2013-2014 Asolo Repertory Theatre season are on sale now. Tickets for **BARITONES UNBOUND** start at \$20. To purchase tickets, call 941.351.8000 or 800.361.8388, visit www.asolorep.org, or visit the Asolo Repertory Theatre Box Office, located in the lobby of the theatre. Asolo Repertory Theatre is located at 5555 North Tamiami Trail in the Florida State University Center for the Performing Arts. Box office hours are Monday 10am – 4pm, Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 8pm, and Sunday 10am – 2pm. The box office closes at 5pm when there are no evening performances and phone lines close one hour prior to the start of any performance. Season subscription packages are also available online and by visiting or calling the box office.

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