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Town Hall Arts Center Presents
Harvey Fierstein's Casa Valentina

"Funny and Provocative. Genuinely Arresting."

THE NEW YORK TIMES

LITTLETON, CO - The next production in the 2018-2019 Town Hall Arts Center season is *Casa Valentina*, "A Fascinating and Timeless New Play by Harvey Fierstein!" -- *New York Magazine*

From four-time Tony Award® winner Harvey Fierstein (*Kinky Boots*, *Newsies*, *La Cage aux Folles*) comes *Casa Valentina*, his first play in almost thirty years and his first-ever collaboration with Manhattan Theatre Club. Back in 1962, most men went to the Catskill Mountains to escape the summer heat, but others took the two-hour drive to escape something else entirely: being men. Nestled in the land of dirty dancing and borscht belt comedy sat an inconspicuous bungalow colony that catered to a very special clientele: heterosexual men whose favorite pastime was dressing and acting as women. It was paradise for these men—white-collar professionals with families—to spend their weekends discreetly and safely inhabiting their chosen female alter egos. But when they got the opportunity to share their secret lives with the world, these “self-made women” had to decide whether the freedom they would gain by emerging from hiding was worth the risk of personal ruin.

Please note this show does have a suggested rating of “R” for strong language and adult situations.

Infused with Fierstein’s trademark wit, this moving, insightful and delightfully entertaining new work offers a glimpse into the lives of a group of unforgettable characters as they search for acceptance and happiness in their very own Garden of Eden.

Nick Sugar is back directing his second show of the 2018-2019 season. His most recent projects include *Green Day's American Idiot*, *Sisters of Swing*, *Peter and the Starcatcher*, *In the Heights*, *Bonnie and Clyde* and *Hairspray!* Nick was honored with a 2015 and 2016 Best of Westword Award for his Direction of a Musical for *Next to Normal* and *Young Frankenstein* here at Town Hall.

Casa Valentina features a stellar cast including **Phil Luna** as *George/Valentina*, last seen at Vintage

Theatre in *Red*. **Archie Archuleta** in the role of *Jonathan/Miranda*, **Archie** was last seen in a production of *The Lion in Winter*. **Melissa McCarl** returns to the THAC stage after a long hiatus in the role of *Rita*, she was last seen as Anita in *West Side Story* and Carlotta in *Phantom*. For a complete listing of cast and crew go to: townhallartscenter.org/casavalentina.

Casa Valentina opens **Friday, January 11** and runs through **Sunday, February 3, 2018**. Showtimes are **Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. (and 2 p.m. on 1/26) and Sundays at 2 p.m. (and 6:30 p.m. on 1/20)**.

Ticket Information:

Reserved seat tickets are currently on sale, priced \$24.00-\$44.00 at the Town Hall Arts Center box office, 303-794-2787 ext. 5 (**Monday - Friday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 1 Hour prior to Shows**) or on-line at townhallartscenter.org/casavalentina. Group discounts available for purchasing ten or more tickets, please contact Corey Brown at cbrown@townhallartscenter.org or 303.794.2787 x 213. In a continuing effort to make plays at Town Hall Arts Center accessible to all, ten value seats at \$10 each will be made available on a first-come-first-served basis one-hour prior to each published curtain time.

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