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a Pops Concert

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From the Director

Dear Friends,

Plato wrote: "Music...is the essence of order and leads to all that is good, true, and beautiful."



Throughout the past months of challenge and change, people all over the world have come to embrace the importance of music so beautifully captured by Plato. While the prudent cancellation of live performances throughout much of 2020 and 2021 for the safety of performers and the public was necessary, our deep-seated need for music to entertain and enrich us motivated artists and audiences to turn to virtual, online alternatives to live performance. But, as with our holiday 2021 show, "Celebrate!" **we're LIVE again!** We are so excited to welcome you to our in-person production of **"Rise Up!"**

Has the "Singers Spirit" waned during these unique times? I can say with confidence, **"absolutely NOT!"** To the contrary, for example, our innovative online "Virtual Guest Nights and Open Auditions" in September and January garnered a significant number of *new* members, and members from the past, our "alumni," have even rejoined us to participate in our exciting virtual activity! And our "Virtual Cabaret" in October 2020, "Virtual Holiday Show" in December 2020, and "Inspire!" in June of 2021 were big hits! We've even served our community by providing online educational offerings like our popular "Sing For Your Life!" workshop, mirroring our traditional live offering. To say the least, returning to live performance in December of 2021 was a great boost.

We hold dear our commitment to providing each other and *you*, our faithful fans and sponsors, events celebrating the joy of music. The show you're here to enjoy is a great example of fulfilling that commitment. I am delighted to host **"Rise Up!!"** in the hope that it will bring you the same joy it's brought to our Singers.

As you can imagine, The Singers, as a 501.c.3 non-profit organization, rely heavily on revenue from live performances to sustain and grow our efforts to entertain, educate, and provide outreach to our Alexandria community. During these challenging times that limit our options for revenue generation, I ask that you consider a donation to The Singers by clicking *"Donate Securely Today"* near the bottom of our homepage at www.alexandriasingers.com. Please give what you can. If you are a business entity and are interested in helping us by becoming a Corporate Sponsor, please write to Development@alexandriasingers.com and our Development Team will be happy to discuss support options with you. If you are already a donor or sponsor, please accept my thanks for your patronage!

May this production of **"Rise Up!"** help sustain your faith in the power of the human spirit, and affirm your belief music that *does* lead to "all that is good, true, and beautiful!"

Bill Colosimo, Music Director - The Alexandria Singers

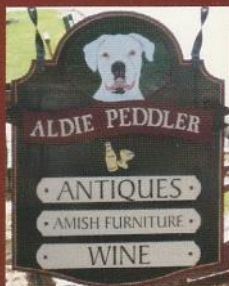
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The Alexandria Singers Present, “Rise Up!”

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Ensemble Instrumentalists:

Esther Covington, Jean Finstad, Brooks Ferrett

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Virtual Pops Concert, “Rise Up!”

Act I

“One Voice” • Barry Manilow; Arr. Mark Brymer

“Be The Hero” • Andrew Lippa; Arr. Mark Brymer

“Get Together” • The Youngbloods

Amy Louviere

“No One is Alone” • Stephen Sondheim; Arr. Mark Brymer

“Stand by Me” • Ben E. King; Arr. Roger Emerson

“From a Distance” • Julie Gold

Kadira Coley

“Beautiful—The Carole King Musical” • Carole King; Arr.
Roger Emerson

“Nothing is Gonna Stop Me” • Pinkzebra

Allison Franson, Misyy Frederick, Jen Jovin-Bernstein, Julia Quintana, Annabel Waggoner

“SING (Choral Highlights)” • Arr. Roger Emerson

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Act II

“Songs of a Disney Hero” • Arr. Alan Billingsley

“I Am Woman” • Helen Reddy, Ray Burton

Jen Jovin-Bernstein

“Africa” • David Paich, Jeff Porcaro; Arr. Roger Emerson

“Thank You For Being a Friend” • Andrew Gold; Arr. Greg Gilpin

“Welcome to the Rock ” • “Come From Away”

Art Brill, Joan Capella, Kadiria Coley, Tamara de la Camp, Matt Dunne, Marla Howell, Rodney Jackson, Chris Macri, Jim Miller, Rona Ramsey, Susan Wright

“You Raise Me Up” • Brendan Graham, Rolf Lovland; Arr. Roger Emerson

“Let Me Be Your Wings” • “Thumbelina”

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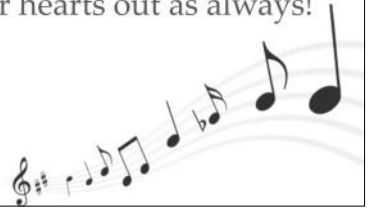
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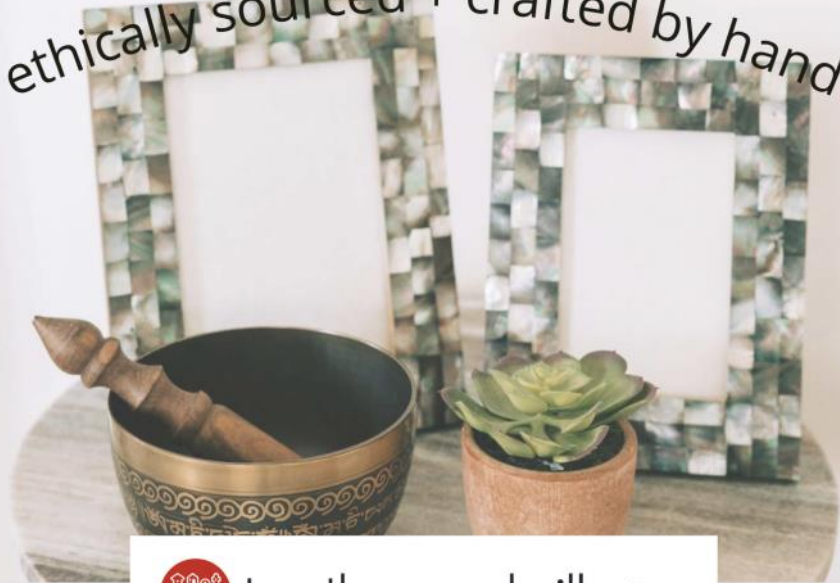
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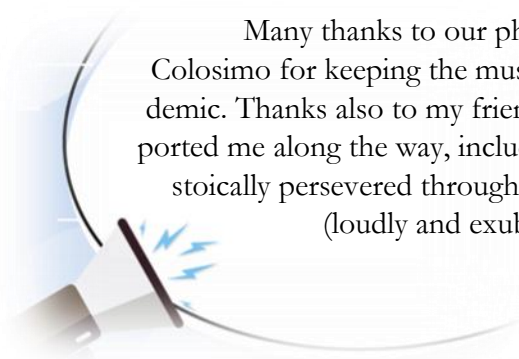
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Medley" makes me think of you!

Miss you!

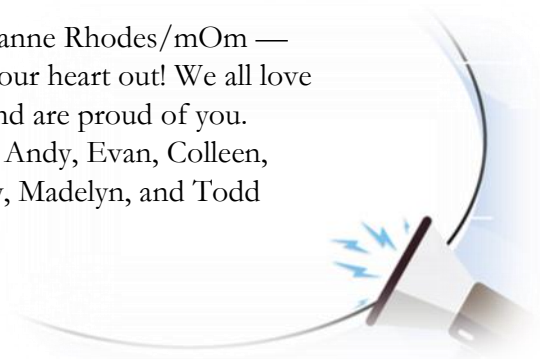
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Thanks Bill, Esther, Karen, Sheryl, Lee,
and Board for a great, hopefully post-
Covid spring 2022 season. The Singers



Many thanks to our phenomenal music director Bill
Colosimo for keeping the music going throughout the pan-
demic. Thanks also to my friends and family who have sup-
ported me along the way, including my husband Geoff, who
stoically persevered through many hours of me practicing
(loudly and exuberantly) at home. Love, Amy



To Joanne Rhodes/mOm —
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Love, Andy, Evan, Colleen,
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