

Opera-Lytes

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OPERA-LYTES PRESENTS ANNUAL “VALENTINE’S CONCERT”

January 15, 2010, AMHERST, NY- Warm the heart of your beloved this Valentine’s Day weekend and join Opera-Lytes for their annual *Valentine’s Concert* on Friday, February 12, 2010 at 7:30pm. Performed in an intimate cabaret setting, the concert will feature love songs from the Broadway stage sung by members of Opera-Lytes, as well as offering the audiences a “sneak peek” at Opera-Lytes spring 2010 production.

Opera-Lytes is a theatre company based in Amherst, and has been in existence for 16 years. The talented company encompasses performers from all over the western New York region including, Buffalo, West Seneca, Angola, East Aurora, Williamsville, Amherst, and Tonawanda. The group specializes in performing Gilbert and Sullivan operettas and classic Broadway musicals, and also presents two choral concerts each season. Opera-Lytes has produced fully-staged productions in such notable western New York venues as the Lancaster Opera House, Alleyway Theatre, and Ujima TheatreLoft. Opera-Lytes was originally formed by members of the Amherst Community Church Choir, and the company continues partnership with the church.

The concert will be conducted by Paul Waara and accompanied by Daniel Schroeder, with choral medleys showcasing the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein, and songs from *The Phantom of the Opera*, *My Fair Lady*, and *Wicked*. Popular tunes such as “As Time Goes By” and “Someone to Watch Over Me” are also on the program, along with a preview of the upcoming production of Gilbert and Sullivan’s *The Gondoliers*, which will be performed in June at the Alleyway Theatre.

Opera-Lytes' Valentine’s Concert will be performed at Amherst Community Church, 77 Washington Highway, Snyder. Tickets for Opera-Lytes *Valentine’s Concert* are \$10, with proceeds to benefit Amherst Community Church. Tickets can be purchased by calling the church at 834-3700 or at the door the night of the concert. Reservations are strongly encouraged for groups of 6 or more. Refreshments will be served. For further information, visit Opera-Lytes website at www.operalytes.com