

# AMBASSADOR



Jackie Richardson in Uncovered: Sting & The Police (2013)

## UNCOVERED

BILLY JOEL & ELTON JOHN

Nov 12 & 13, 2014

Ambassador presale MON, Sep 8, 2014

## THE WILD PARTY

Feb 20 - Mar 8, 2015

Ambassador presale MON, Oct 27, 2014

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BILLY JOEL & ELTON JOHN

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TELUS Centre, Koerner Hall  
273 Bloor St. West

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music direction,  
vocal arrangements  
& orchestrations by  
**Reza Jacobs**

featuring  
**Brent Carver  
Jake Epstein  
Sara Farb  
Kelly Holiff  
Chilina Kennedy  
Jeigh Madjus  
Jackie Richardson**

orchestra  
**Jamie Drake, Justin Gray,  
Reza Jacobs, Natalie Wong**

Concert

Ambassador presale starts  
**MON, Sep 8, 2014**

Public tickets go on sale  
**MON, Sep 15, 2014**

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—Jordan Banks, Managing Director of Facebook Canada

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# THE WILD PARTY

Feb 20 - Mar 8, 2015

Berkeley Street Theatre Downstairs  
26 Berkeley St.

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music & lyrics by  
**Michael John LaChiusa**

book by  
**Michael John LaChiusa  
& George C. Wolfe**

based on the poem by  
**Joseph Moncure March**

directed by  
**Robert McQueen**

music direction by  
**Bob Foster**

choreography by  
**Stephanie Graham**

produced in association with  
**Obsidian Theatre Company**

Modern Musical

Ambassador presale starts  
**MON, Oct 27, 2014**

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**MON, Nov 17, 2014**

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coming soon!

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As Ambassadors, over the next 12 months you will receive:

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- An exclusive presale opportunity for each production and concert;
- Invitations to 3 in person “behind the scenes” events; and
- Special offers for you and your friends.

There is no cost or obligation to be an Ambassador and your membership will run until June 30, 2015. To remain an Ambassador in 2015/2016, simply buy tickets to *two* Acting Up Stage productions between September and June and your membership will automatically renew.

This year, rather than announcing a full 12 months of activity, we are rolling out our program as we go. In this Ambassador Insider, get the exclusive scoop on our November *UnCovered* concert and February *Mainstage Musical*. As we continue to announce more programming for 2015, you will be the first to know!

I sincerely welcome you to this inner circle. I'm really grateful to you for your committed attendance and look forward to a shared year of musical theatre.

Mitchell Marcus  
Artistic & Managing Director

### INTERVIEW

An Interview with Sara Farb from *UnCovered: Billy Joel & Elton John*



#### Q What is the preparation process like for the concert?

I do back-up vocals and solos, so I have a pretty heavy load each year. Typically, I'll spend a week with Reza and my fellow back-up vocalists, for about eight hours a day, coming up with appropriate harmonies and vocal lines to accentuate the songs. We try to stay away from recreating what's on the recordings. It is grueling and frustrating, but also immensely fun, and when we finally have a song nailed, it feels like we can conquer the world.

#### Q What's your favourite part of the concert?

I think it's the rehearsal before the actual show, where everyone is hearing each other's songs for the first time. Something magical happens when we're all convened and get to hear the finished products at the same time. No one ever leaves those rehearsals uninspired.

#### Q What should the audience expect from this year's concert?

The audience can expect to hear their favourite songs by these legendary men in a completely new way, and perhaps develop a new fondness for songs they may not have paid much notice to before. Without a doubt, it will be an unforgettable night of music performed by highly skilled professionals.

### ARTICLE

A Tale of Two Musicals



*The Wild Party* is a musical based on the controversial 1928 Joseph Moncure March poem of the same name. A vaudevillian dancer and her clown boyfriend throw a booze, sex, and drug-filled party during prohibition in the roaring 20's, hosting an evening that quickly spirals out of control.

With music and lyrics by Michael John LaChiusa and a book co-written by LaChiusa and George C. Wolfe, the show opened on Broadway in 2000 starring Toni Collette, Mandy Patinkin & Eartha Kitt. Coincidentally, the New York theatre scene was confronted with another musical not only of the same name, but also inspired by the same poem. This show, by Andrew Lippa, opened Off-Broadway in the same year at the Manhattan Theatre Club.

Even though the musicals were different, they were inevitably compared to each other by the critics. Some argue that neither musical received a fair reception in New York because they were constantly being compared. Both musicals took the satirical source material and created a dramatic story that was sexy, violent and thought-provoking for audiences. “If someone wants to take on doing either version of *The Wild Party* my eyebrow always sort of arches and I think, ‘Wow! They must be very brave souls—and have a very smart musical director!’”, says LaChiusa.

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