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# **EPIC IMAGINATION. INTIMATE ENCOUNTERS.**

This season, we celebrate Otterbein Summer Theatre's 51<sup>st</sup> year and the many triumphs that distinguish its extraordinary history. We're beginning a new chapter in our story, and entering a new era of artistic enterprise. We hope you will join us for this momentous journey!

Your invigorating support and intrepid spirit have inspired us to imagine on an epic scale this summer. To satisfy your appetite for story-driven musicals, we have decided to devote this landmark season to producing not one, but two, musical comedies – My Fair Lady and They're Playing Our Song. Our entire artistic team is brimming with excitement about staging these lush, big-spirited shows in our intimate summer theatre venues. We strive to make fresh thinking, elemental storytelling, and a can-do mentality our guiding principles. Not to mention crazy, bold imagination!

As we enter a new phase of artistic growth, we plan to maintain our commitment to providing our amazing students practical pathways to the professional stage. At the same time we plan to expand our artistic family, by reviving the tradition of bringing in exciting, talented guest artists from further afield, enlarging our creative breadth as well as our external reputation. We aspire to further cultivate a repertory model of production: we thrill to see our actors stretch their creative muscles with Olympian gusto, playing several roles over the course of a summer and grappling with great works in vibrant counterpoint. And, we intend to produce big plays and musicals



with great stories in a way that defies expectations and transcends conventional thinking.

For many years to come, we will strive to bring you indelible professional theatre experiences – plays and musicals of substance, beauty, and power – that replenish the spirit, awaken the imagination, and quicken the heart.

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- Lenny Leibowitz, Artistic Director

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Schedule conflict? No problem. Call us within 24 hours of your ticketed production and we'll exchange them, free of charge.

#### **Additional Savings**

Subscribers save \$5 off the price of purchasing the two shows individually. Friends in town? Bring them along and save on the extra tickets!

### Lots of Choices!

- Opening Nights, 7:30 p.m. curtain, reception with the cast and crew included
- Friday and Sunday matinees, 2 p.m. curtain
- Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, 8 p.m. curtain, Sunday night, 7 p.m. curtain

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Directed by Lenny Leibowitz Music Direction by Lori Kay Harvey Choreography by Stella Hiatt Kane

#### Book and Lyrics by ALAN JAY LERNER

#### Music by <u>FREDERICK L</u>OEWE

Adapted from George Bernard Shaw's Play and Gabriel Pascal's Motion Picture "PYGMALION" Original Production Directed by Moss Hart

*My Fair Lady* poignantly and rousingly explores the transformative powers of the imagination, as a young cockney flower girl blossoms into an elegant woman. It overflows with charm, ardor, joy, wit, drama, and exquisite melodies, including *Wouldn't It Be*  Loverly?, The Rain in Spain, and I Could Have Danced All Night. This piece represents a perfect marriage between story and song and remains one of the most luminous stars in the musical theatre galaxy.

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# THEY'RE PLAYING OUR SONG

Book by Neil Simon Music by Marvin Hamlisch Lyrics by Carole Bayer Sager

Directed by Melissa Lusher Music Direction by Dennis Davenport Choreography by Stella Hiatt Kane

We're putting full-blooded, big-hearted story telling front and center with a terrific collaboration between playwright Neil Simon and composer Marvin Hamlisch, two audience favorites. Set in the 1970s, *They're Playing Our Song* is a funny, romantic show about a

neurotic, established composer and his relationship with a quirky young lyricist. Creative genius, passionate personalities, and a strange sense of timing keep these two birds humming as they pen the next big hit and find true love.

"They're Playing Our Song (Neil Simon/Marvin Hamlisch)" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

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SAT., JUNE 17, 2017 DOORS OPEN AT 7:30 P.M. WATCH FOR LOCATION AND MORE EVENT INFORMATION TO COME!

# 1967-2017 Please Join US In Celebrating

Otterbein Summer Theatre's illustrious past and auspicious future as we present an evening of classical music and Broadway favorites, featuring Artistic Director Lenny Leibowitz on piano, the Otterbein Summer Theatre company, and a special surprise guest.

All proceeds will benefit Otterbein Summer Theatre. Contact the box office for more information.

# to Broadway

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Your ticket purchases and donations keep Otterbein Summer Theatre in operation, and hundreds of students both onstage and behind the scenes have benefited from your generosity.

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As we move forward into this next exciting phase, we count you as our partner in providing top-notch creative entertainment in a professional model.

Help us continue the legacy of one of Central Ohio's longest running summer theatre programs, and join us as we create magical memories for many years to come.

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