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IN THE MOOD: A 1940s MUSICAL REVUE BRINGS BACK THE BIG BAND ERA

FORT LAUDERDALE – The sensational 13-piece String of Pearls Big Band Orchestra and fabulous singers and dancers of *In the Mood: A 1940s Musical Revue* at Parker Playhouse on **Sunday, January 28 at 3 p.m.** recreate a time when everyone was singing and dancing to the same kind of music. The great melodies and lyrics that are still with us today are presented in a musical revue that is jazzy, sentimental, rhythmic, nostalgic and patriotic.

Treasures such as "Swingin' on a Star," "Tuxedo Junction," "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," "Sing Sing Sing," "Chattanooga Choo Choo," "I'll Be Seeing You," "La Vie En Rose," "Take the A Train" and "The Last Time I Saw Paris" are just a small part of a program that has left audiences cheering.

Many of the music arrangements for the show, which has toured the world for almost a quarter of a century, were written by Hollywood arranger Vic Schoen (1916-2000). During his illustrious career, Schoen furnished music for some of the most successful personalities in Hollywood including Bing Crosby, Bob Hope, Danny Kaye, Ella Fitzgerald, Rosemary Clooney and the Andrews Sisters.

Big band era hits have regained popularity through artists such as Michael Bublé, Harry Connick and Rod Stewart as well as the swing revival led by Royal Crown Revue, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy and The Brian Setzer Orchestra.

Tickets are \$24—\$44. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of Parker Playhouse. Buy tickets online at ParkerPlayhouse.com and Ticketmaster.com; by phone at 954.462.0222; in person at the Parker Playhouse box office Tuesday through Saturday from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. and at the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office.

The Parker Playhouse, located in Holiday Park at 707 N.E. Eighth Street in Fort Lauderdale, is an affiliated venue of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, which provides programming and management of the facility. The Broward Center 2017-2018 season is presented by the Broward Performing Arts Foundation.

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The neo-classical Playhouse Parker is one of Fort Lauderdale's first venues. Built by Dr. Louis Parker, the playhouse opened its doors on February 6, 1967 and is managed now by the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. This 1,168-seat, fully equipped theater plays an important role in the community by fueling economic development, while also bringing the community together with performances, activities and educational programming.