

# Will there be anything sweeter than that first gig back??

### Are you ready for it? I sure am!

Not much happening yet but some is a whole lot better than nothing! I sent a long e-mail out last night to a whole pile of the musicians but I'm taking not hearing much back as that most aren't back yet.

With my own band (The Great American Songbook), **Paul Brier** is up in Texas having some medical things tended to which of course got delayed by this thing that is upon us... or at least pulling things to a complete halt.

We went out last Wednesday to La Cima del Copal west of town just before San Juan Cosala to hear **Jonathan Guzman** and see a bunch of great folks we haven't seen in an age... Jonathan, as usual, put on a great show. I had lunch with **Juan Castañón** at La Jardine on the Plaza and he had to miss a gig in New York City because of this "thing"... sure hope that one comes back alive for him!

I have a big list of filmed plays from **Lakeside Little Theatre** which I normally wouldn't be promoting... but like all performers... they are having a bad time of it too. Look down for the whole shebang!

"Try to Always Have Fun!"

For the week of June 15th to June 21st, 2020

#### AROUND THE RESTAURANTS AND BARS

#### **MONDAY**



First up is filled up... you can figure on an intermission at about 7 PM and I'd give a call at **766-0097** and see if there are some vacated chairs. These guys are great and so is the service, food and drinks.

#### **WEDNESDAY**



Don't ya dare miss out on a great couple of hours with the very talented **Jonathan Guzman** starting at **4:15 PM**. You can phone **(387) 761-0405** for reservations. And as I have said before... don't forget your camera... what a setting! The restaurant is located just at the west end of "restaurant row"... you will see the big palapa up on the cliff on the mountain side of the Carretera. Just as you round the last bend make a right!

#### **THURSDAY**

#### 22 Aniversario Jun 18

#### La Bodega de Ajijic



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Cena (Dinner) 5:30 Show 6:30 PM



These guys are pure entertainment PLUS it is **La Bodega's 22 Anniversary.** Call **766-1002** for reservations... now! Lol

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#### LAKESIDE LITTLE THEATRE PRESENTS!



Once again we have a wide choice of what to see. There are musicals, plays, operas and ballets at our fingertips. **Just click** on the live link below the picture.



#### **THE WIZ**

1 hour 52 minutes duration

Available until June 14 at 1:00 CT

A live production from 2015 of the 1975 Broadway musical, "The Wiz," which put a modern spin on the classic "Wizard of Oz" tale with a cast of African-American actors.



#### The Madness of George III

2 hours 12 minutes

Available on demand until Thursday, June 18 at 1:00 pm CST

It's 1788 and George III is one of the most powerful men in the world, but his behavior is becoming increasingly erratic as his mind unravels at a dramatic pace. As the Queen and Prime Minister attempt to hide the king's illness, ambitious politicians and a scheming prince begin a power struggle, endangering the stability of the crown.



Carousel
at Lincoln Center
2 hours 22 minutes duration
Available from June 5 for 60 days

Carousel is the second musical by the team of Richard Rodgers (music) and Oscar Hammerstein II (book and lyrics). The 1945 work was adapted from Ferenc Molnár's 1909 play Liliom, transplanting its Budapest setting to the Maine coastline. The story revolves around carousel barker Billy Bigelow, whose romance with millworker Julie Jordan comes at the price of both their jobs. He participates in a robbery to provide for Julie and their unborn child; after it goes tragically wrong, he is given a chance to make things right. A secondary plot line deals with millworker Carrie Pipperidge and her romance with ambitious fisherman Enoch Snow. The show includes the well-known songs "If I Loved You", "June Is Bustin' Out All Over" and "You'll Never Walk Alone". Richard Rodgers later wrote that Carousel was his favorite of all his musicals.



#### **The Nance**

Lincoln Center 2 hours 17 minutes duration

#### **Available June 12-26**

Nathan Lane gives the performance of a lifetime as Chauncey Miles, who faces a changing world and his own self-loathing in 1930s New York. The play tells the story of a headline nance (a parody of a gay man) in the twilight of New York burlesque's era, who is homosexual. Integrating burlesque sketches into his drama, Douglas Carter Beane paints the portrait of a homosexual man, living and working in the secretive and dangerous gay world of 1930s New York, whose outrageous antics on the burlesque stage stand in marked contrast to his offstage life. With a touching love story at its core, the Tony Awardnominated play is also a fond and funny tribute to the golden age of burlesque. The play received five Tony Award nominations, including a Best Actor nod for Lane. In addition, the cast boasts Tony Award-winner Cady Huffman, Lewis J. Stadlen, Jenni Barber, and Jonny Orsini.



#### Reasons to be Cheerful

A Raucous Musical 2 hours 3 minutes duration Available until August 3

To date, the company's most successful show has been the **musical Reasons to be Cheerful**, a raucous raunch inspired by punk rocker lan Dury, who died in 2000, and his band The Blockheads. It first toured in 2010, then in 2012, when it was a one-off gig at the London paralympics opening ceremony, and the show was revived again in 2017, when this performance at London's Theatre Royal Stratford East was videoed.



#### Wise Children

2 hours 17 minutes duration

#### **Available on BBC iPlayer until July 12 (need to register)**

Emma Rice's smash-hit show will be available on BBC iPlayer for three months from Easter weekend. That's something worth celebrating!

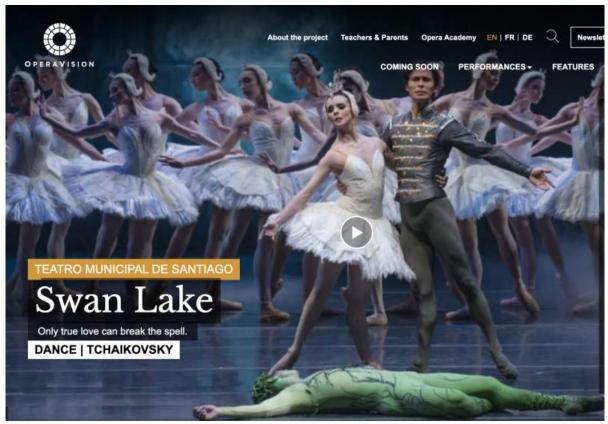
Loved by audiences and critics since its premiere at The Old Vic, London, in 2019, **Wise Children** is an unapologetic celebration of the highs and lows that come from choosing to experience life to the utmost.



#### **Madame Butterfly**

Royal Swedish Opera
2 hours and 26 minutes duration

It tells the story of a doomed love of a Japanese woman, "Butterfly," for a US naval officer who marries and deserts her. The narrative is based on the 1898 short story "Madame Butterfly" by John Luther Long, which itself was based on the 1887 semi-autobiographical novel Madame Chrysanthème by French writer Pierre Loti. Puccini wrote five versions of the opera, which was originally in two acts, not three.



#### **Swan Lake**

Teatro Municipal de Santiago 2 hours and 19 minutes duration

"Swan Lake" is a timeless love story that mixes magic, tragedy, and romance into four acts. It features Prince Siegfried and a lovely swan princess named Odette. Under the spell of a sorcerer, Odette spends her days as a swan swimming on a lake of tears and her nights in her beautiful human form. The couple quickly falls in love.

There are so many things available, many that we have written about before. Please explore the link by clicking <u>here</u>.

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Well, as Bugs Bunny use to say, "That's All Folks"!

As time goes on there will hopefully be more each week and looking forward to getting back to full speed.

This has been without a doubt the worst 3+ months in my 77 years and... I look forward to seeing you somewhere... SOON!

Regards,

#### Francis Dryden

PS – If you run onto any events I've missed or know of something coming up that has **LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**, please have someone from the group or the venue send me a message. Thanks for subscribing and if you wish to **unsubscribe** my e-mail address is: **francis.dryden@gmail.com**.

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