

## For Immediate Release

## GAY MEN'S CHORUS OF SOUTH FLORIDA PREMIERES *DISNEY PRIDE IN CONCERT* ON JUNE 24 AND 25 AT THE PARKER IN FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Wilton Manors, Fla. (April 10, 2023) - Something magical is coming! Join the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida for a spectacular, new concert that celebrates LGBTQ+ life, love, family, and pride through the combination of timeless songs from the Disney songbook, curated video clips from the Disney vault, and the personal life experiences of local chorus members. Featuring sparkling new arrangements, <u>Disney PRIDE in Concert</u> draws musical inspiration from iconic Disney films, including *The Little Mermaid*, *The Lion King*, and *Mary Poppins*, to modern classics such as *Coco, Zootopia*, *Wreck-It Ralph*, and the magical music of Disney Parks, all interwoven with universal storytelling themes stemming from the power of the diverse chorus community.

Under the baton of Artistic Director Gabe Salazar, the 170+ singing members of the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida will bring two incredibly magical concerts of Disney music for Pride month on Saturday, June 24 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, June 25 at 3 p.m. at the Parker in Fort Lauderdale. This family-friendly event will include activities, games, costume contests, and more. Fun for kids of ALL ages!

"Disney has stepped forward to support the LGBTQ+ community, and this concert is another example of that," states Mark Kent, Executive Director of the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida. "Adults and children alike are going to feel inspired and welcome. We are eager for families to know that the LGBTQ+ community is filled with wonderful and loving people."

*Disney Pride in Concert* premiered in June of 2022 in Boston, and the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida is giving this memorable concert its Florida debut.

Tickets start at \$31.50 and can be purchased at gmcsf.org and through Ticketmaster.

## **About the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida (GMCSF)**

The Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida brings song to the community through large-scale, mainstage concerts in high-profile venues, community-based engagements, and volunteer projects. GMCSF has grown to over 170 members in our short history and has become the largest gay men's chorus in the southeastern United States under the direction of Artistic Director Gabe Salazar. The Chorus has earned a strong reputation for excellence, garnering prestigious invitations to perform throughout the South Florida region.

**Mission:** We sing so that LGBTQ+ people can live their truth through quality music experiences that inspire audiences, open minds, change hearts, and affirm our common humanity. **Vision:** A diverse world united.

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