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# GAY MEN'S CHORUS OF SOUTH FLORIDA

PREMIERES *DISNEY PRIDE IN CONCERT* ON JUNE 24 AND 25 AT THE PARKER IN FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA



Something magical is coming! Join the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida (gmcsf.org) 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, *Disney PRIDE in Concert* 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.





# The Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida

GMCSF brings live music and entertainment to the community through large-scale, main-stage concerts in high-profile venues, community-based engagements, and volunteer projects. More than 20,000 people are inspired and moved each year by the Chorus's music, community outreach, and mission, making GMCSF a significant LGBTQ+ nonprofit service organization and cultural asset in the heart of South Florida. With more than *170 singing members*, the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida is the southeastern United States' largest gay men's chorus and one of the country's ten largest nonprofit LGBTQ+ choruses.

### 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.

Our members are a community of singers dedicated to our mission and a better future for all people. Being a member of the Chorus is not just about singing. It is also about being good role models for our youth, giving back to the community, and offering a helping hand to those who need one. GMCSF serves communities with live music and entertainment in Broward, Miami Dade and Palm Beach counties, Fort Lauderdale, Wilton Manors, and more!

GMCSF reached a significant milestone in December 2016, when we collaborated with Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood to perform our holiday concert at Hard Rock Live! The two entities have continued this partnership, now in its fifth year. Prior guest artists have included Linda Eder, Alan Cumming, Matthew Morrison, Jordin Sparks, and most recently Shoshana Bean. Annually, through a combination of the mainstage, outreach, and educational performances, the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida reaches more than 20,000 individuals, making us a significant cultural asset in South Florida.

GMCSF holds auditions periodically throughout the season. We welcome all singers who can sing in the lower vocal register (Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Baritone, Bass) to audition. Potential singers must be at least 18 years of age at the audition and not in high school. All candidates must register before auditions. Email membership@gmcsf.org if you have questions.

From Panther Pride Night to Symphony in Lights tree lighting at GulfStream Park, GMCSF is performing and volunteering all around South Florida. The Chorus builds bridges and creates unity within the community. Our members devote their time and talents to give back. Fill out our performance request if you are interested in having the chorus perform at your special event. Email outreach@gmcsf.org if you have questions.

## Diverse, intergenerational, multicultural

At GMCSF, a diverse, inclusive, and equitable organization is one where every human, whatever their gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, age, sexual orientation or identity, education, or disability, feels valued and respected. We have committed to a nondiscriminatory approach in our employment and programs throughout our history. We respect and value diverse life experiences and heritages and ensure that all voices are valued and heard. GMCSF is also committed to accessing its performances, members, volunteers, and staff.

For more information on the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida, visit gmcsf.org or call 954-763-2266, Monday through Friday, 10am to 6pm. For public relations, please contact Director of Marketing and Sponsorship, Edward Otto Zielke at 954-763-2266, ext. 107 or email marketing@gmscf.org.

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