





A Message From Our Artistic Director

## GABE SALAZAR

Welcome to the 14th season of the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida. We have a spectacular season planned, where our chorus proudly embraces the theme "United We Sing." Our holiday concert will begin our season with joy, warmth, and a sense of togetherness like never before. We have a specially commissioned piece written for our chorus entitled "Don't Say Gay". I am so excited to premiere this very important piece of music. Our March concert, *Hooray for Hollywood*, will pay tribute to the glitz and glamour of Hollywood, where dreams take flight and diversity shines. Through our music, we will celebrate the power of storytelling and the bonds that connect us across all cultures and backgrounds. Our *Pride: Then Now and Forever* concert will reflect on the remarkable journey of the LGBTQ+ community through the years. We will honor the resilience and strength of those who paved the way, celebrate our progress, and focus on the commonality that we all see and share with each other.

This season is so important as it is a testament to the unwavering strength within our chorus and community. It is a celebration of our shared commitment to come together and amplify our voices in the face of adversity. Thank you so much for being an integral part of our journey. Together, we will make the 14th season of the Gay Men's Chorus a testament to the healing power of music and unity. So, let the music begin, and may our voices continue to resonate with love, hope, and UNITY!

Gabe



# Celebrate the Holidays



A South Florida Tradition



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## Holidays at Hard Rock Live

Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 8:00 pm

Hosted by

Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

Hollywood, FL

## Holidays at Sunshine Cathedral

Saturday, December 16, 2023, at 8:00 pm

Hosted by

Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts

Fort Lauderdale, FL

The exchange of gifts is abundant across the holiday season. Whether it is a Christmas present opened by an eager child, a Zawadi (gift) opened on the last day of Kwanzaa, one of the daily gifts bestowed during the observance of Hanukkah, or one of the other many ways that we extend ourselves to others, there is no question that many people see the holiday season as the time of year to reflect on what we can give the world. Join us for our famous, traditional South Florida concert this holiday season and hear classics such as "Hark The Herald Angels Sing", "Silver Bells", and "We Wish You A Merry Christmas". At our Hard Rock Live show, we will once again welcome a guest artist of national note.

Be part of an unforgettable moment with us for the world premiere of 'Don't Say Gay,' a jaunty yet robust show-stopping number crafted exclusively for GMCSF by the gifted composer David Volpe – a moment you don't want to miss!



# HOORAY FOR HOLLYWOOD

**Friday, March 22, 2024, at 8:00 pm**

in the Lillian S. Well Hall at The Parker, Fort Lauderdale, FL

You know them - the songs that stick in our heads for years after hearing them. These tunes come from magnificent moments in movie history, those magical occurrences when an extraordinary talent sings the right song at the right moment and creates an ever-lasting memory. Travel through a century of cinematic sound with a night dedicated to 100 years of musical movie magic! From the roaring rhythms of the 1920s to the evocative epics of the 2020s, immerse yourself in the iconic soundtracks that defined generations for the LGBTQ+ community. Our Hollywood-themed concert promises a musical experience and a journey through time, evoking memories of silver-screen legends and modern-day masterpieces.



# PRIDE THEN NOW AND FOREVER



**Saturday, June 29, 2024, at 8pm**

in the Lillian S. Well Hall at The Parker, Fort Lauderdale, FL

After losing nearly a whole generation to the AIDS crisis, the LGBTQ+ community comprises more generations existing together than ever before. Embrace the vibrant tapestry of our history and future in our multigenerational concert celebration! From the resilient spirit of Baby Boomers to the trailblazing energy of Generation Z and beyond, this event will weave together decades of music, stories, and voices. Experience the anthems that have resonated in pride parades of the past alongside fresh beats echoing the dreams of a new generation. Our concert isn't just a showcase of melodies but a heartfelt tribute to diverse journeys, shared struggles, and the boundless joy of the LGBTQ+ community.

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GAY MEN'S CHORUS OF SOUTH FLORIDA  
TROPICAL WAVE

*Fauré REQUIEM*

In partnership with  
New Directions Wind Ensemble

**Sunday, November 12 at 6 pm**

Community Presbyterian Church, Deerfield Beach

**Saturday, November 18 at 8 pm**

United Church of Christ, Fort Lauderdale

**\$20 suggested donation at the door**

*Tropical Wave Holiday Concerts*

**Saturday, December 2 at 4 pm**

St. Nicholas Episcopal Church, Pompano Beach

**Sunday, December 17 at 4 pm**

Christ Lutheran Church, Fort Lauderdale

Led by Assistant Conductor Anthony Cabrera, the ensemble is designed for special service performances and when a venue has limited space for the entire chorus. They are also frequently showcased in mainstage concerts and community events.

### 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.

### Impact

With over 180 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 top 10 largest nonprofit LGBTQ+ choruses.

Each year, more than 20,000 people are inspired and moved by our messages of music and love.

# SUPPORT

Like most nonprofit arts organizations, ticket sales only cover a fraction of the costs associated with our concerts, community engagement programs, and operations. Your financial support provides a solid foundation for us to serve the community. Visit our website, gmcsf.org, to learn ways you can help us continue our mission at a time when our voices are needed more than ever before.

OUR STRENGTH IS YOU! Be a part of a significant cultural force that entertains and delights while giving voice to the LGBTQ+ community!

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