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Students Tackle Prejudice, Desperation and Heartbreak in
The Highwood Theatre's production of
Cabaret
as part of Highwood's 2015-2016 season

Five Performances:

March 18th & 19th at 7:30 pm; March 19th & 20th at 2:00 pm;
and March 20th at 7:00 pm
at The Highwood Theatre in Downtown Silver Spring

The Students' Theatre division of The Highwood Theatre is excited to present the 1998 revival version of the hit musical *Cabaret*. With a book by Joe Masteroff, music by John Kander, and lyrics by Fred Ebb, *Cabaret* takes a hard look at the seedy underbelly of pre-World War II Berlin in the wake of the roaring twenties. Featuring new musical additions and a revised book from the 1998 revival production, this edgy version of *Cabaret* highlights the growing strains of a nation and people during the infamous rise of the Nazi regime.

Set in 1931 Germany in the tawdry, decadent Kit Kat Klub, young American writer Cliff Bradshaw arrives to work on his new novel. He settles into a boarding house whose German landlady has a Jewish beau, begins giving English lessons to the anti-semitic Ernst Ludwig, and enters into a relationship with the mysterious young singer Sally Bowles. All of the action is overseen by the provocative Emcee, as we watch the hopes and dreams of the characters crumble to dust under the heels of the fear and hate that dominate the political climate. The danger of intolerance, the tenacity of the human spirit and the crushing devastation of heartbreak are all brought to light in this compelling story.

Cabaret is directed by Matthew Nicola with musical direction by Kevin Kearney and features an immensely talented all-student cast. The Highwood Theatre's latest production allows young actors the opportunity to tackle challenging roles, explore mature themes and grow as performing artists in a professional quality environment. Encouraging the teenage cast to take risks and collaborate is part of Highwood's mission to build community through theatre and create a unique experience for everyone involved.

About The Highwood Theatre



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The Highwood Theatre is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the community together through theatre. Now in its 13th Season, Highwood's guiding principle is "anyone can do theatre." The Highwood Theatre is creating a theatre hub in downtown Silver Spring made up of artists of all ages, regardless of past experience or training. Through productions and programs that combine both professional theatre artists and students - along with opportunities for development and training in all aspects of theatre - we hope to bring the community together and foster an environment where everyone feels comfortable, supported, and inspired to collaborate, share, appreciate, and create. For more information, go to www.thehighwoodtheatre.org.

Cabaret is part of Highwood's 2015-2016 Mainstage Season and is the season's third production by its Students' Theatre division, which is dedicated to producing high-quality theatre productions with casts and production teams comprised of talented student actors.

Directions to The Highwood Theatre in Silver Spring

The Highwood Theatre in Silver Spring is located at 914 Silver Spring Avenue, Suite 102, Silver Spring, MD 20904. Street parking is available near the venue, and there is a county garage less than one block away. Parking is free on weekends. Arriving by metro? From the Silver Spring metro station (Red Line), head Northeast on Colesville Road toward Wayne Avenue. Turn right onto Wayne Avenue, Right onto Georgia Avenue, and left onto Silver Spring Avenue. The Highwood Theatre will be on your right. This route takes about ten minutes.

Contact Information

Tickets: <http://www.thehighwoodtheatre.org/tickets.html>

The Highwood Theatre Office: 301-587-0697

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Calendar Listing

Cabaret, with book by Joe Masteroff, music by John Kander, and lyrics by Fred Ebb, is a Students' Theatre production of The Highwood Theatre located in downtown Silver Spring. Performances are at 7:30 pm on Friday, March 18th; Saturday, March 19th; and at 7:00 pm on Sunday March 20th. Matinee performances are at 2:00 pm on Saturday, March 19th and Sunday, March 20th. Tickets are \$20 and are on sale now. Visit www.thehighwoodtheatre.org for more information.

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