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Tony Award winner John Lloyd Young to open Orinda Theatre Live Concert Series, Feb. 1

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The 180-seat auditorium at the Orinda Theatre will be transformed Feb. 1 into a classic cabaret venue. The stunning venue will be a place where audiences will experience exceptional performers at close range in an exceedingly elegant setting. Tony Award winner John Lloyd Young will kick off the spring series. Young originated the role of Frankie Valli in Broadway's Award-winning Best Musical and international hit, "Jersey Boys." By also starring in Clint Eastwood's film adaptation of the show, Young joins a select few actors in the entertainment industry that took their Tony-winning stage role to the big screen. He sings lead vocals on the Grammy-winning platinum Original Broadway cast album as well as the "Jersey Boys" movie soundtrack album. As Frankie Valley in "Jersey Boys," Young became the only American actor in history to win all four major leading actors honors in a Broadway debut: the Tony, Drama Desk, Out Critics Circle and Theatre World awards.

"To see this quality of international talent here in the East Bay is as much of a treasure as is the historic Orinda Theatre," states Derek Zemrak, owner of the Orinda Theatre. The Orinda Theatre first opened its doors in 1941 and is a landmark of the East Bay.

The performance will take place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 1. Tickets range from \$50 to a \$100 VIP ticket, which includes seating in the first three rows, a meet and greet with Young after the show at Cine Cuvee and a "Jersey Boys" Blu-ray. Tickets are available at the Orinda Theatre box office and online at www.lamorindatheatres.com.

On the evening of the concert, Cine Cuvee Wine Bar will be featuring food and drink specials before the show.

Live at the Orinda Theatre Concert Series - Spring 2018 will also include Grammy and Golden Globe winner Amanda McBroom ("The Rose") on March 1, Amanda King ("A Salute to Ella Fitzgerald: The Early Years") on April 5, and Tony-nominated Broadway star Andrea McArdle ("Annie" and "Les Misérables") on May 3, closing the spring series. Subscriber and sponsorship packages are available.

"There's nothing like live music in front of you and getting to experience renowned artists of this caliber in the beautiful and historic Orinda Theatre will make for some very special and memorable evenings," states producer, Michael Williams.

Live at the Orinda Theatre Concert Series is produced by Zemrak Pirkle Productions, LLC and Michael Williams.

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