



Relive your childhood!

In our effort to provide Members with meaningful and enriching events, SGCC has conceived the *SGCC at the Theatre* series of theatrical experiences that allow Members to enjoy stage productions at exclusive discounts. The series kicks off with *A Spoonful of Sherman*, which should awaken quite a few childhood memories.

Come November, members can walk down memory lane with *A Spoonful of Sherman*.

Presented by Sing'Theatre, this musical revue presents songs by the Sherman Brothers, who have written some of the most well-loved tunes that have appeared in screen and stage productions such as *Mary Poppins*, *The Jungle Book*, and *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*.

To find out more about the show,

ClubSpirit spoke to the director, TJ Taylor, who is also the Associate Artistic Director of Sing'Theatre.

Why did Sing'Theatre choose to present *A Spoonful of Sherman*?

After seeing its tremendous success in the UK, we were inspired to bring this show to Singapore. With its strong family values, amazing songs, and message of unity, it fits perfectly with the values of Sing'Theatre. The show



TJ Taylor

brings together audience members of different ages who have a deep connection with the songs of the Sherman Brothers, even if they did not realise that they wrote the music!

**How is the show structured?
Is there a storyline tying all the songs together?**

The show is structured around five storytellers who relate the story of the Sherman family, from a father who made his fame in the American Music Hall and Tin Pan Alley, through to the career of the Sherman Brothers. The life of the Sherman family is rich and interesting, with the struggles and triumphs many families go through — something we all can relate to.

What are some of the challenges in presenting this show?

Helping the actors jump into many different characters would be one, as the show presents an array of songs with a variety of emotions. It requires a talented cast — and we are so fortunate to have some of the best musical theatre talents that Singapore has to offer. Apart from singing, dancing and acting, the cast have to play instruments — yes, all of the music in the show is played live by the cast! This is a rare opportunity to experience an actor-musician show such as this in Singapore.

Why are Sherman Brothers songs still so well loved after all these years?

All their songs had heart, and were



written with deep family values and an incredible attention to detail. The music is catchy and melodious, and you will be singing it for hours after hearing it! I am also passionate about introducing these old classic family songs to children of a new generation, who are now growing up on modern pop music. Pop music often relates to experiences and situations far beyond their years — there is not a floss, twerk or naughty word in our show!

What can SGCC Members look forward to when they catch the show?

An experience! Rather than a conventional musical, where you will go to listen to the story and see the characters, audiences will get to experience the feelings, emotions and nostalgia presented within

the show. Everyone will have a connection to the show in some way, and leave with a smile on their face and a song in their heart.

If you had to pick a favourite song from the show, which would it be?

It would be 'Let's Go Fly A Kite' from *Mary Poppins*. As soon as I hear this song, it takes me back to my childhood, where I would sit in front of the TV, with my video of *Mary Poppins* on repeat for hours. I would then go to my piano and play through the songs from my Disney music book — often to the dismay of my piano teacher, as it was at the expense of my exam pieces! The songs in the show bring back many memories for so many people, and I am excited to bring them to the stage right here in Singapore!

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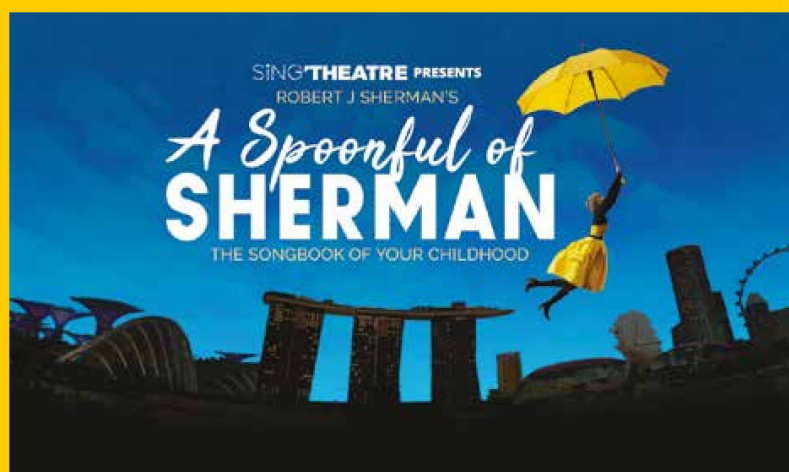
A Spoonful of Sherman

4pm Saturday
23 November 2019

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each cost \$59 (excluding GST)

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