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### **RESTON'S OWN CHANTEUSE IN CONCERT AT THE CENTERSTAGE**

RESTON, VA — As part of the 2008-2009 Professional Touring Artist Reunion Series to celebrate Reston Community Center's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Centerstage is proud to present Reston's very own chanteuse, Beverly Cosham, on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, at 3 p.m.

Under the musical direction of George Hummel, the afternoon will feature a sizzling, tune-filled program from the Great American Songbook as well as new up-and-coming composers. Ms. Cosham will perform a selection of her favorites from her latest CD *How Do You Keep the Music Playing?* such as "At Last" by Johnny Mercer and Barry Manilow and "The Way He Makes Me Feel" by Alan and Marilyn Bergman and Michel Legrand. She will be accompanied by Ron Chiles on piano, Deb Brudvig on cello, Lily Kramer on violin, Jon Nazdin on bass, and George Hummel on woodwinds.

"Mark your calendar and join me on Saturday, March 28th to enjoy Bev Cosham, Reston's favorite chanteuse, in the CenterStage. She has brought audiences in Reston to their feet since her local debut in the Reston Players' very first show as a tap dancer! I don't know about you, but I never miss an opportunity to hear her sing. I'll see you at the CenterStage on the 28th!" said Robert Simon, founder of Reston.

"Beverly has always had aspirations to be the female counterpart to Johnny Mathis and calls this her "schmaltziest" concert ever. Beverly views each song as a three-minute play and combines her talents as an actress and singer to communicate the text directly to her audience," said George Hummel, her long-time friend and music director.

Ms. Cosham has also received numerous award nominations including the Helen Hayes Award and the Washington Area Music Award. Beverly has four CDs, produced with the assistance of George Hummel: *Beverly Sings Blue*, *At Last*, *Beverly Cosham Sings Yip Harburg*, and *How Do You Keep the Music Playing?* She has performed extensively throughout the Greater Washington, DC area including the Kennedy Center, the National Theatre, the Lyceum, the Lisner Auditorium, Blues Alley and Germano's as well as throughout the United States. To learn more about Ms. Cosham's music, visit her website at [www.beverlyc.com](http://www.beverlyc.com)

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A Reston resident for over forty years, Ms. Cosham is also a highly visible and active civic leader. She is currently a member of the Reston Chorale and the Reston Community Center Board of Governors. She was a founding member of the Reston Community Players and the Reston Chorale. She previously served on the Advisory Board for the Fairfax Council for the Arts, the Lorton Arts Foundation Board, the Actors' Center Board and the Lorton Land Re-use Committee.

To purchase tickets, please call the CenterStage Box Office at 703-476-4500 and press option 3. For a full 2008-2009 Professional Touring Artist Reunion Series schedule or to download order forms, please visit [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com). Box Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and two hours prior to curtain times. The CenterStage is located at 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston, VA 20191.

#### About the Reston Community Center

Each year RCC offers more than 1,800 positive, self-development experiences that enhance the quality of life for all people living and working in Reston. RCC provides a wide range of programs in arts, aquatics, enrichment and life-long learning. We also create and sustain community traditions through special events, outreach activities and facility rentals. To find the programs or events that are right for you, visit [www.restoncommunitycenter.org](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.org) or call 703-476-4500.

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