

# sounds of music

## LGBT arts groups and other concerts across region

LGBT arts groups across the Carolinas are working themselves up for a fabulous fall and winter season of concerts and performances in Greensboro and Winston-Salem, the Triangle and Charlotte.

For some groups, like the Triad Pride Men's Chorus, the fall will be spent auditioning for new members and rehearsing for their annual holiday concert. Auditions will be held every Tuesday during August and early September. Those interested in joining the chorus can call the group at 336-589-6267 or email [joinus@triadpridemenschorus.org](mailto:joinus@triadpridemenschorus.org). Triad Pride Men's Chorus's holiday performance, "Celebrate!," will be presented on Dec. 8 at Greensboro Day School and Dec. 15 at Wait Chapel on Winston-Salem's Wake Forest University campus.

Around the capital, members of the Triangle Gay Men's Chorus will also be accepting new members in anticipation of two holiday shows in December (details have yet to be announced). The group will hold auditions on Sept. 4, 11 and 18 at the Durham Arts Council, 6:40 p.m. Email [membership@tgmchorus.org](mailto:membership@tgmchorus.org).

In Charlotte, groups like the Gay Men's Chorus, One Voice Chorus and Charlotte Pride Band have yet to announce new concerts. Charlotte Pride Band's Erin Ellenburg says her group is still waiting on a confirmation for a performance venue in November.

Regardless, community members can catch each of the three groups performing separately and as a team at this year's Pride Charlotte, slated for Aug. 25 and Aug. 26 in Uptown Charlotte. For more information visit [pridecharlotte.com](http://pridecharlotte.com).

You can learn more about One Voice, Gay Men's Chorus and Pride Band concerts and other events at [onevoicechorus.com](http://onevoicechorus.com), [gmccharlotte.org](http://gmccharlotte.org) and [charlotteprideband.org](http://charlotteprideband.org).

### More Concerts

#### 8/17 // CHARLOTTE

##### Jay Brannan

Openly gay, contemporary indie folk singer-songwriter Jay Brannan, who appeared along with his music in the hit 2006 cult classic film "Shortbus," takes the stage at the Visulite Theatre. [visulite.com](http://visulite.com).

#### 8/21 // DURHAM

##### Duran Duran

1980s breakout stars Duran Duran return with a new album, "All You Need to Know." Durham Performing Arts Center. [dpacnc.com](http://dpacnc.com).

#### 9/14 // CHARLOTTE

##### Brad Paisley

Verizon Wireless Amphitheater welcomes Brad Paisley with The Band Perry and North Carolina's own Scotty McCreery. [livenation.com](http://livenation.com).

#### 9/30 // CHARLOTTE

##### Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons

Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, of "Sherry" fame, appears in Charlotte to perform longtime hit singles like "Walk Like a Man," "Big Girls Don't Cry" and "Can't Take My Eyes Off of You." Belk Theater. [blumenthalarts.org](http://blumenthalarts.org).

#### 10/1 // CHARLOTTE

##### Celtic Thunder: Voyage

Paying homage to the musical culture of Ireland, Voyage travels to Charlotte with ensemble members Keith Harkin, Ryan Kelly, Neil Byrne, George Donaldson and Emmet Cahill, welcoming new member 13-year-old Daniel Furlong. Belk Theater. [blumenthalarts.org](http://blumenthalarts.org).

### Charlotte Symphony

Join the Charlotte Symphony, directed by Christopher Warren-Green, for a variety of performances this fall. For more information on each, visit [charlottesymphony.org](http://charlottesymphony.org).

9/14-15 // The Music of Billy Joel

9/21-22 // Season Opener: All Beethoven

9/28 // KnightSounds: The Power of the Song

10/5-6 // Firebird!

10/26-27 // America

11/2-3 // Christoff Returns!

11/9-10 // Tribute to Benny Goodman

11/16-17 // Mozart Mass in C Minor

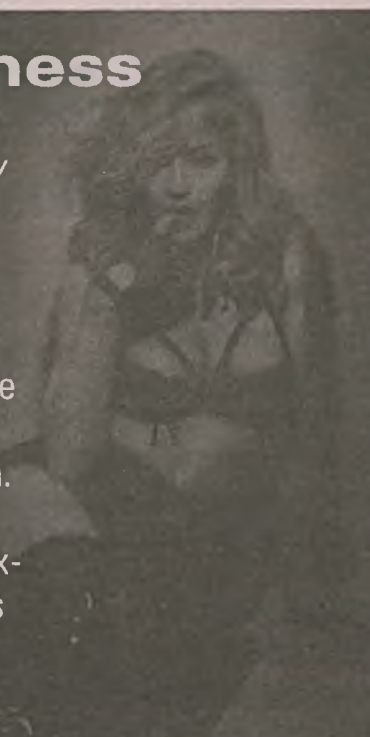
11/30-12/2 // Magic of Christmas

12/2 // Handel's Messiah

### Madonna Madness

Some people hate her. Some people tolerate her. Some people *absolutely adore her*. For the latter, there's no debate: Madonna was, is and will forever remain the Queen of Pop. The hit star will come to the Queen City on Nov. 15 for a live performance at the Time Warner Cable Arena. Tickets are on sale now at [livenation.com](http://livenation.com). As of press time, some tickets were still available but you should expect they'll go fast. It'll be a scalpers dream come true.

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## CAN'T GET ENOUGH BINGO

August 17th – 7:30pm

WFU BioTech Place

575 Patterson Avenue

Triad Research Park Downtown Winston-Salem

Love has led her back and Bebe has gone B10 at the laboratory. With every beat of her heart, she will always love you and be your shelter. So prove your love and support Equality Winston-Salem as we play bingo and pay tribute to the headliner for Winston-Salem Pride 2012,

Taylor Dayne.



[www.TaylorDayne.com](http://www.TaylorDayne.com)  
[www.DivasAndDjs.com](http://www.DivasAndDjs.com)

### Tickets

Adults \$20/Students \$10

Available at the door

Whole Foods Market-Winston-Salem

And online at

[www.equalitywinstonsalem.org](http://www.equalitywinstonsalem.org)

All proceeds benefit Equality Winston-Salem and Winston-Salem PRIDE 2012



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