

Various Voices

London sings out! 2009

The Big Gay Sing

“Think Karaoke with glitter – an all the show-tunes you can eat buffet”

‘The Big Gay Sing’ - A fun sing-along evening, hosted by two top gay celebrities, with song sheets so that audience members to join in.

Bring friends and be prepared to sing in a karaoke evening with 2000 soloists(!). Led by a fabulous stage band, the show will feature a huge variety of popular songs and anthems you and your group love to sing, and few surprises and guest stars from the stage.

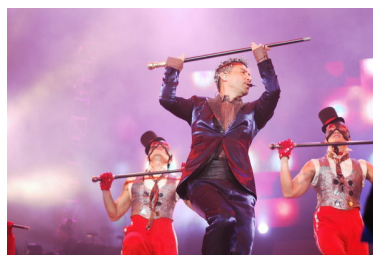
From 'Dancing Queen' to Nkosi Sikeleli, from Nessun Dorma to 'Glad to be Gay', from Judy Garland to Edith Piaf, expect to sing some favourites from your country, and learn some new ones too!

Featuring appearances from up and coming artistes, this fun-filled and hilarious (yet somehow deeply

glamorous) sing-a-long evening featuring all of your favorite gay songs down the years.

Think karaoke with glitter - an 'all the show-tunes you can eat' buffet; goodie bags, popcorn and word sheets; plus ABBA, Chicago, Frank Sinatra, Madonna, Kylie, Britney, Judy, Barbara, and many more! Dress up and overindulge as Various Voices brings the community together around our favorite tunes.

Get involved in choosing your favorite songs on the blog and watch out to vote for your favorite.



Various Voices Londons' Vision

Celebrate Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) identity through song and to showcase on an international stage the achievements and diversity of LGBT choirs of Europe and around the world.

Interaction between choirs and singers, both in singing activities and socially, to develop new synergy between delegate singers and ensembles in London; with interaction between choirs of all kinds and at all levels.

To **facilitate growth** of all those ensembles and individual singers involved, through motivating their leaders, inspiring singers and through the development of new skills and ideas.

Sat, 2 May 2009
20:00

Queen Elizabeth Hall
Southbank Centre

Public ticket prices:
£17.00 £15.00

Delegates' early
discounted price:
£13.60 £12.00

Delegates' discounted
price:
£15.30 £13.50

How we want you to be involved

Tickets go on sale in January and we expect everyone to dress up and bring flags and streamers to add to the general fun and madness of the evening's entertainment.

Song sheets will be provided but we don't think you will need them

Until the end of January we are asking you to send us your suggestions of a few of the songs that you would like to sing-along to in this exciting fun programme.

During February we will run an on-line vote on our website for

everyone to vote for the most popular choices All those that vote on line will go into a draw and six lucky winners will join the artists on stage for the finale.

Please send suggestions to:

BigGaySing@variousvoiceslondon.org.uk



Charlie Beale – Artistic Director

Currently Artistic Director of New York City Gay Men's Chorus, Charlie has had a varied performing career, working in the widest possible range of styles and contexts. Recently, jazz and

choral directing have become Charlie's main performing outlets. Before his appointment in New York, he was Musical Director of the London Gay Men's Chorus. Professor of Jazz Piano and directed the Royal College of

Music Big Band. Since completing his Ph.D. in 2001, he has written a critically acclaimed book and is a Lead Jazz Consultant to the Associated Board.



About Us

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96 hours of enjoyment, 4 days of fun, 4,000 like minded people.

Various Voices London 2009 is a festival of song and singing that will enable participants and audiences to grow through celebration and interaction.

Performance, workshops, meetings, social activities and parties support a holistic approach to well-being; helping to overcome prejudices and preconceptions by bringing communities together in a welcoming atmosphere of fun and friendliness.

<http://www.variousvoiceslondon.org.uk>

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To find out how you can be involved to support Various Voices London we invite you to contact us and continue to spread the vision.

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Growth through singing, celebration and interaction

Southbank Centre 1st May - 4th May 2009