



the lesbian & gay
Big Apple Corps
symphonic band
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The Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps Symphonic Band Announces 2010/11 Season

NEW YORK, Sept. 20, 2010 – The Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps Symphonic Band, the premier band featuring lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender musicians and their friends within the New York City metropolitan area, today announced its 31st season. Presented as two themed concerts, the upcoming season will feature music that spans from classical to Broadway to rock 'n' roll.

Artistic Director Brian Worsdale, now in his sixth season, will conduct the following performances:

- ***Come Follow the Band: From Mendelssohn to The Beatles*** on Sat., Dec. 4, 2010 at 8 p.m. takes a fresh approach at explaining how the sounds of rock 'n' roll created by The Beatles and Earth, Wind & Fire evolved from earlier periods of music. This concert will also feature euphonium soloist Joseph Bello, as well as masterworks by Corigliano, Grainger, and Holst.
- ***Once Upon a Time: Stories, Myths and Legends*** on Sat., April 30, 2011 at 8 p.m. highlights the music that makes our favorite larger-than-life characters come alive. Whether it's recounting the tale of *Sweeney Todd* as the demon barber of Fleet Street or the quest of Frodo Baggins in *Lord of the Rings*, music has a powerful ability to convey key elements of a story. This concert will also feature the stories of *Casey at the Bat* and *Tubby the Tuba*, among others.

This year, the Big Apple Corps will continue to honor exemplary contributions to music and the LGBT community with the *Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps Profile in Leadership Award*. Pulitzer Prize- and Academy Award-winning composer John Corigliano will receive the award on Dec. 4, 2010. During the April 30, 2011 concert, the band will honor Steve Reineke, composer, arranger, and music director of The New York Pops. Corigliano and Reineke will accept the award during a special recognition event at each concert. In 2009, Distinguished Concerts International - New York was the first recipient.

"We are more than just a community band," said Worsdale. "Every time our members step on stage to perform we have an opportunity to shape how the world views the LGBT community. We hope you will become part of a movement that began more than 30 years ago when musicians gathered on Christopher Street in New York City with their instruments."

All performances for the 2010/11 season are at Symphony Space, 2537 Broadway at 95th Street. For additional information or to join the band, visit www.lgbac.org.

The 2010/11 season sponsors include [WNYC](#), [East of Eighth Restaurant & Bar](#), and [TD Bank](#). The LGBAC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

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TICKETS

Subscriptions for the 2010/11 season are available online at LGBAC.org/Subscribe and by phone at 212.591.2886. For \$30, subscribers receive up to 40% off the cost of tickets for the entire season, premium reserved seating, access to special discounts, as well as the opportunity to win a dinner with John Corigliano at the [East of Eighth Restaurant & Bar](#), in Chelsea. Subscription sales end Oct. 31, 2010.

Group sales are available by calling the Symphony Space Box Office at 212.864.5400. Groups of 10 or more receive 20% off ticket purchases.

Single tickets will go on sale Nov. 1, 2010. Tickets range from \$17-\$20. Patrons can purchase tickets online at SymphonySpace.org, by phone at 212.864.5400, or in-person at 2537 Broadway at 95th Street. Tickets sold at the door are \$25.

More details on the Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps 2010/11 season follows.

Program and artists subject to change.

Come Follow the Band: Sat., Dec. 4, 2010 at 8 p.m.
From Mendelssohn to **Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps Symphonic Band**
The Beatles **Brian Worsdale, conductor**
Nolan Dresden, assistant conductor
Symphony Space **Jonathan Strasser, guest conductor**
2537 Broadway at 95th Street **Joseph Bello, guest conductor and soloist**
John Corigliano, honoree

BARBER, *Commando March*

BEATLES, *Love*

CORIGLIANO, *Gazebo Dances*

EARTH, WIND & FIRE, *In Concert*

GILLINGHAM, *Vintage*

GRAINGER, *Molly on the Shore*

HOLST, *First Suite in E-flat*

MACKEY, *Undertow*

MENDELSSOHN, *Overture for Band*

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN, *Selections from
Oklahoma*

Tickets: \$17-\$25

Once Upon a Time: Sat., April 30, 2011 at 8 p.m.
Stories, Myths and Legends **Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps Symphonic Band**
Brian Worsdale, *conductor*
Symphony Space **Nolan Dresden**, *assistant conductor*
2537 Broadway at 95th Street **Steven Reineke**, *honoree and guest conductor*

BOCK, *Fiddler on the Roof Medley*
DE MEIJ, *Selections from Lord of the Rings*
GILLINGHAM, *Aerodynamics*
GOLDSMITH, *Patton*
HOLSINGER, *Abrams Pursuit*
REINEKE, *Casey at the Bat*
REINEKE, *The Witch and the Saint*
SONDHEIM, *Sweeney Todd Medley*
TRIPP, *Tubby the Tuba*

Tickets: \$17-\$25

ABOUT THE LESBIAN & GAY BIG APPLE CORPS

Founded in 1979, the Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps (LGBAC) is the premier Marching and Symphonic Band for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) musicians and their friends within the New York City metropolitan area. As one of the first gay bands in the world, the LGBAC is celebrated for a tradition of musical excellence that promotes equality and social acceptance. The Marching Band reaches millions of spectators each year by appearing in parades and festivals throughout the East Coast. The Symphonic Band performs an annual concert series that features new and traditional band literature, orchestral transcriptions, Broadway show tunes, and other audience favorites. The LGBAC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. For additional information or to join the band, visit www.lgbac.org.

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