

PRESS RELEASE

SKYLARK ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS "THE GREATEST HITS OF WW2"

Skylark Entertainment Services is proud to announce the debut of their 2008 show, "The Greatest Hits of WW2."

This original production will be performed by The Snowbird Orchestra and girl trio, The Skylarks, featuring all the number one hits of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Benny Goodman and The Andrews Sisters. Audience members will return for a few spectacular hours, to the glorious days when Swing erupted from dance halls like The Palomar Ball Room and The Glen Isle Casino. They will re-live, for one special night, the time when Americans escaped from the turmoil of the depression and a World War with the fabulous music of the swing era. It's as close as you can get to a real USO show with out going back to 1943.

In October of 2007 the Washington State Arts Commission designated "The Greatest Hits of WW2" as an American Masterpiece Performance under the criteria of the National Endowment for the Arts. "We are deeply honored to have received this designation and gratefully accept it on behalf of all the past musicians we pay tribute to in our show," said bandleader, Tom Williamson.

The Skylarks are made up of Karen Pritchard, and Cathy Collins of Sequim Washington, and Katie Page of Port Angeles, Washington. Karen studied voice at Indiana University and has a number of professional as well as community theater roles in her credits. Cathy has also been singing with The Skylarks since 1999. Katie Page joined the Skylarks in 2003 and has toured with the group for five years. Off tour, Katie fronts her own band, "Acoustic News".

The Snowbird Orchestra was founded in 1999 and has been touring the resorts and country clubs of the southwest every January and February since 2000. They are currently booked for 27 shows in 36 days in 2008. Cast members come from the Olympic Peninsula as well as Bellevue, Marysville and Onalaska, Washington, as well as from Yuma, Arizona, Indianapolis Indiana, San Jose and Fresno CA. Band members come from all walks of life including a number of retired aerospace engineers and several retired music educators. On average they each have about 50 years of performing experience. The most recent addition to the cast is 3rd trumpet, Bob Archer, a research chemist, retired from Merck Laboratories, who brings 28 years experience playing with the Indianapolis Philharmonic Orchestra.

North West players include music director, and lead sax player, Tom Williamson of Sequim, Washington. Also from Sequim is trombonist Ted Gachowski. From Port Angeles is bassist, Keith Page who also performs with "Acoustic News" and Steve Lingle, retired from a career as saxophonist with the US Army. Guitarist Tom Carlin, retired in Port Angeles had a career as a music editor for the film industry and has a number of major film credits including, "Nine and ½ Weeks" "Beethoven" "Romancing the Stone" and several more. In addition, his work with Kenny Rogers on "The Gambler" earned him an Emmy nomination.

For more information on the show see www.skylarkentertainmentservices.com