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Cabrillo Stage Brings *Sister Act* to the Crocker Theater!

Nominated for of 5 Tony Awards
(Including Best Musical & Best Original Score)

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CABRILLO STAGE BRINGS JOY, SOUL, AND SISTERHOOD TO APTOS WITH THEIR 2026 SUMMER PRODUCTION OF *SISTER ACT*

Aptos, CA — Cabrillo Stage is delighted to announce its upcoming summer production of the irresistible musical comedy *Sister Act*, performing at the Crocker Theater July 9 through August 2, 2026. This dazzling crowd-pleaser, based on the beloved 1992 film, promises to fill the theater with laughter, heart, and show-stopping music.

Since its celebrated debut, *Sister Act* has garnered major award recognition, including nominations at the Tony Awards, Drama Desk Awards and the Laurence Olivier Awards, honoring its vibrant score and joyful sense of spectacle. Audiences worldwide have embraced the show’s uplifting message and its blend of comedy, soul, powerhouse music and its reminder of the importance of community.

SYNOPSIS Deloris Van Cartier, a fearless nightclub singer with dreams larger than her late-night stage, finds her world upended when she witnesses a crime and is whisked into protective custody in the last place she ever expected—a convent. What begins as a reluctant hiding spot quickly becomes a springboard for transformation as Deloris is nudged into leading the convent’s struggling choir. Her arrival ignites a burst of energy and joy, turning hesitant whispers into full-throated celebration. Through exuberant songs like “**Raise Your Voice**” and the disco-charged “**Take Me to Heaven**,” Deloris helps the sisters discover confidence, harmony, and the thrill of singing out loud and proud.

As the choir blossoms, so does Deloris. The laughter, camaraderie, and unexpected sisterhood lift her in ways she never imagined. The chorus of nuns—once shy and uncertain—begins to fill the community with music that’s equal parts soulful and jubilant, culminating in the radiant showstopper “**Spread the Love Around**.” In finding her place among these women, Deloris discovers the joy of belonging and the power of using her voice not just to stand out, but to lift others higher. The result is a story that celebrates transformation, friendship, and the sheer delight of music that makes audiences want to sing along in their seats.

Cabrillo Stage’s production will highlight everything audiences adore about *Sister Act*: its soaring vocals, its uproarious humor, and its celebration of joy found in unexpected places. Under Artistic Director Andrea L. Hart’s leadership, the 2026 summer production promises a vibrant, heart-lifting theatrical experience that will send audiences out of the theater humming and eager for more.

CREATIVE TEAM:

Artistic Director.....Andrea L. Hart
 Director.....Rebecca Haley Clark
 Music & Vocal Director.....Daniel Goldsmith
 Choreographer.....Babe Payne
 Scenic Designer.....Scott Boynton
 Lighting Designer.....Justin Kelley-Cahill
 Costume Designer.....Abhiraj Singh Muhar
 Prop Designer.....Natalie Silva
 Sound Designer.....Joseph Krempetz
 Technical Director.....Marcel Tjioe
 Production Stage Manager.....Angela Lopes
 Managing Director.....Dustin Leonard
 Production Manager.....Kelly Mack

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Deloris Van Cartier.....Kariyma Pekary
 Mother Superior.....Jennifer Taylor Daniels
 Sister Mary Robert.....Sofia Rosas
 Sister Mary Patrick.....Tory Gordon
 Sister Mary Lazarus.....Kiki Lipsett
 Monsignor O’Hara.....Marcus Cato
 Curtis Jackson.....Bobby Marchessault
 Eddie Souther.....David Jackson
 Tj / Ensemble.....Aschlyn Ahrens
 Joey / Ensemble.....Arjun Medhekar
 Pablo / Ensemble.....Carlos Joel González
 Sister Mary Martin-Of-Tours / Ensemble.....Laney Correa
 Sister Mary Theresa / Ensemble.....Sandi Lewandowski
 Michelle / Nun / Ensemble.....Haley Clarke
 Tina / Nun / Ensemble.....Melissa Martinez
 Ernie / Ensemble/ Newscaster.....Gage Herendeen
 Nun / Inmate / Ensemble.....Marlene Evelyn Bruce
 Ensemble / Nun / Waitress.....Tessa Miles Rosen
 Ensemble / Nun / Understudy Mother Superior.....Mindy Pedlar
 Nun / Bar Patron / Ensemble.....Kiana Van Kregten
 Ensemble / Male Cop.....Mark Wong



BOX OFFICE INFORMATION:

Tickets range from \$25 to \$65. \$20 student rush tickets available 15 minutes before any evening performance with valid student ID. \$45 preview performance discount on July 9 for all general & premier seating. Cabrillo Stage performs at the Crocker Theatre on the Cabrillo College campus (6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos, CA). Tickets are available online from April 1, 2026, at cabrillostage.com. Box Office is open for phone and walk-up sales from June 18th, Thursday to Saturday, 12pm-6pm, and 1 hour before each performance. Performances are July 9-August 2, 2026, Thursday, Friday, Saturday at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 2:00pm. No performance on Thursday, July 16th. Post-show discussion and Q&A with the creative team follow the July 12th Sunday Matinee.

ABOUT CABRILLO STAGE: Cabrillo Stage is a nonprofit, nonunion, musical theater company dedicated to presenting high-caliber, large-scale musical productions to the greater Monterey Bay area. We are committed to providing a nurturing and supportive environment that allows professional and non-professional artists to work alongside each other in the creation of musicals with Broadway-level production values. In this way, we foster educational opportunities while giving audiences the highest-quality family entertainment. We aim to be a destination point for the best of live theater while remaining fiercely loyal to our local community. Find out more at www.cabrillostage.com.

ABOUT CABRILLO COLLEGE: Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as AA and AS degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. With a commitment to quality and equity, Cabrillo connects all learners to pathways that propel them from where they are to where they aspire to be, including: academic, personal, and career growth.

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