

TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE

presented by
Magical Music for Life
Foundation



**JOIN US AS WE SING SONGS
ALL DAY LONG
TO BETTER THE LIVES OF
CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

**Sunday
May 1, 2016
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Broadway Pedestrian Plaza
between 42nd & 43rd Streets
Times Square, New York**

Great Songs for a Great Cause



Magical Music for Life™ Foundation is thrilled to present its 5th annual **TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE** benefit concert **Sunday, May 1, 2016 on Broadway between 42nd & 43rd Streets in Times Square.** The goal of the concert is to raise awareness of our music, funds to perform our musical written especially for children with autism and other special needs, and financial support to produce a new original album of songs for water safety applicable to children with and without special needs.

The event will be a continuous sing-a-thon, where preselected, talented children and groups from the tri-state area will join the **Magical Music** singing groups taking turns singing from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. raising money from pledges and donations. There will be performances by various Broadway adult and child actors, as well as performances from select **Magical Music** musicals.



At the event there will be many exciting items in the **auction & raffle**, including tickets to Broadway shows / other events many with backstage tours and signed memorabilia, travel, dining, unique & autographed items, etc. **TUNES** shirts will be available. Donations will be gladly accepted at **TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE** or www.magicalmusic.org.

Hours of Talented Performers

There will be numerous **Broadway actors** at **TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE** joining the **Magical Music** singing groups and preselected tri-state soloists and groups for a magical day.



Some of the 49 Broadway actors, TV performers, and recording artists from last year are shown above and inside this brochure. They have appeared in *Annie*, *The Audience*, *Avenue Q*, *Billy Elliott*, *Bullets Over Broadway*, *A Christmas Story*, *The Color Purple*, *The Crucible*, *Footloose*, *Far from Heaven*, *Finding Neverland*, *Frankenstein*, *The Full Monty*, *Godspell*, *Hands on a Hardbody*, *The King and I*, *Les Miserables*, *The Lion King*, *Macbeth*, *Mary Poppins*, *Matilda*, *Million Dollar Quartet*, *Motown*, *No Man's Land / Waiting for Godot*, *On the 20th Century*, *Once*, *Priscilla Queen of the Desert*, *A Raisin in the Sun*, *Ragtime*, *Rent*, *School of Rock*, *Shrek*, *The Sound of Music Live!*, *A Tale of Two Cities*, and *Urinetown*, as well as "American Idol," "Blue Bloods," "Easy Living," "A Most Violent Year," & "The Mound Builders."

Magical Music for Life™

Magical Music for Life™, founded in 1999, is a non-profit charitable organization whose mission is to use music to better the lives of children. Toward this end, MMFL has produced a wide range of musical projects delivering positive messages



to children. These projects include four family musicals (*The Adventures of Zak*, *A Day in the Life of a Child: Musical Revue*, *Two Little Snowflakes*, and *Russell, the Hermit Crab*), which have been performed in professional theaters, schools, libraries, & hospitals throughout the northeast. MMFL has written songs for several national well-known charities and children with special needs and autism. They have performed at such venues as The White House, United Nations for the first World Autism Awareness Day, Citi Field Stadium, Tribeca Film Festival, and Times Square.



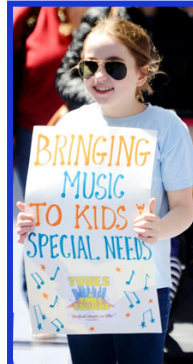
This year's TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE will be Magical Music's 7th benefit concert involving the participation of hundreds of children. Besides the last four years of TUNES, MMFL produced *One Town ... One Voice* concerts to benefit Stand Up to Cancer and Habitat for Humanity's Katrina Relief Fund.

For more information & to hear our music:

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What People Said about TUNES



"It was an amazing experience to sing in Times Square – in the heart of N^YC."

"... people came to stay and watch, packing the grandstand, every seat, and place to stand. It was INCREDIBLE!!"

Mary Poppins cast members teaching audience "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious"



"My daughter and I were walking by, thought we would stay for a song or two, and stayed for 3 hours."

Cast members from Annie



Songs for Children with Special Needs

While music is magic therapy for us all, it can make the difference between withdrawal and awareness for those with special needs. Lyrical melodies, rhythms, and harmonies can elicit a response in children that stimulates learning, promotes responsiveness, encourages communication, and fosters growth. When used to empower and evoke connectedness in children with autism and special needs, music is truly transformative.

Our goal is to provide children of all abilities with music that engages and transforms the way they understand themselves, others, and the world around them. Magical Music is thrilled that the funds raised at last year's TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE enabled us to complete our first "Songs for Skills" album, *A Day in the Life of a Child*, a collection of **free downloadable original songs** written especially for children with special needs and launch a traveling show based on this album.

"What a wonderful gift to the special needs community!! With clever lyrics and great melodies, these songs hold the Magic of Music in the way they bring important skills to every child. I hope that parents and educators the world over will download this music and encourage their friends to do the same!!"

~ Karen Nisenon, Arts for Healing

This year's TUNES IN TIMES SQUARE proceeds will be used to continue our on-going programs and to fund the production of our new water safety album to be available as an accessible **free** resource for both water safety programs and parents who have children with and without special needs.



If you want to make a difference for your child or a child you know, we hope that you will **consider making a donation** to help us continue our mission to create music for all children.