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Fifteen Year Old Judy Butterfield to Headline at Empire Plush Room

Special Young People's Preview added to Benefit Haight Ashbury Food Program

Fifteen year old San Francisco native Judy Butterfield makes her headline debut at the Empire Plush Room performing *Judy Sings Judy: Songs of a Young Garland* April 17th at 7pm and April 18th at 8:00pm.

A protégé of the incomparable Andrea Marcovicci, Judy Butterfield made her New York debut at Town Hall as part of the Fifteenth Annual Mabel Mercer Cabaret Convention and was a guest of Ms. Marcovicci on the Plush Room stage last July.

Judy Sings Judy: Songs of a Young Garland marks the first time that the Empire Plush Room has added a special Young People's Preview to welcome audiences under 21 years old to experience the magic of cabaret. The April 16th, 2:00pm performance is a benefit for Haight Ashbury Food Program with \$5 tickets at the door.

Judy Butterfield, a freshman at Urban High School, has played Juliet in "Romeo and Juliet", the Baker's Wife in "Into the Woods", and appeared in A.C.T.'s "A Christmas Carol". With *Judy Sings Judy: Songs of a Young Garland*, Judy Butterfield uses her own distinct voice and gift for storytelling to bring to life the world in which Ms. Garland began her career. Join Judy for a journey from Grand Rapids Minnesota to Hollywood; from MGM to somewhere over the rainbow.

Judy Sings Judy is directed by acclaimed cabaret director Clifford Bell. Mr. Bell directed "Direct From Broadway" featuring Tony Award winners Debbie Gravitte (Jerome Robbins' Broadway) and Michael Maguire (Les Miserables). He has produced many leading cabaret artists including local favorites Sharon McNight, Shelly Markham, and Wesla Whitfield at the world famous Cinigrill at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel in Los Angeles.

Ken Muir, described by "The New York Daily News" as "a breathtaking pianist", will join Judy as Musical Director. Mr. Muir has appeared numerous times at the Plush Room, having played piano and provided critically acclaimed arrangements for each of Paula West's first three CDs.

Judy will also be joined on stage by Sam Reider for a tribute to the beloved performing team of Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland. Mr. Reider, also a student at Urban High School, is an accomplished pianist, singer and composer. He has performed with Dave Ellis, Smuin Ballet, and the SF Jazz All-Star High School Ensemble.

For more information please contact Cabarabia Productions at 323.769.6447 or email cbqq@aol.com.

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Featuring Judy Butterfield

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Musical Direction by Ken Muir

With Special Guest Sam Reider

Young People's Preview April 16th at 2:00pm

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April 18th at 8:00pm

Call 415-885-2800 or go to www.empireplushroom.com or <http://www.ticketweb.com>

April 17th and 18th Tickets \$25 plus two drink minimum per person

21 years and older only

April 16th \$5 Donation (Proceeds to Haight Ashbury Food Program)

Call 415-577-6620 for the Young People's Preview Event