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Lorna Luft Celebrates the Songs and Stories of an American Icon—her mother, Judy Garland—in this Centennial Garland Event on Wed/Thu Sep 21-22 at 7 p.m.

A Garland Musical Celebration kicks off the Carpenter Center's 2022-2023 Season

LONG BEACH, California — The Carpenter Performing Arts Center, located on the campus of California State University, Long Beach, is the place to call home for Judy Garland fans on Wed/Thu Sept. 21-22 at 7 p.m. as Garland's daughter, the singer, actress, and author Lorna Luft takes to our Cabaret stage to kick off the Center's 2022-2023 season.

From *The Wizard of Oz* to her famed concert at Carnegie Hall, Judy Garland made unforgettable contributions to the Great American Songbook. In this special centennial event, Lorna Luft celebrates her mother's career as she travels through Garland's five decades in entertainment via the songs and stories that remind us why Judy was dubbed the "world's greatest entertainer."

Part of the Carpenter Center's Cabaret series, this loving centennial celebration with Garland's daughter Lorna Luft takes place on our intimate Cabaret stage, where patrons sit at cabaret tables never more than 40 feet from the performance. Refreshments will be available for purchase in our lobby and may be enjoyed during the performance.

About Lorna Luft

Born to legendary entertainer Judy Garland and producer Sid Luft, Lorna Luft made her performing debut singing on "The Judy Garland Show." She has since had dozens of starring and guest-starring roles on film and television, ranging from *Grease 2* and *Where the Boys Are* to the series "Murder She Wrote" and "Sean Saves the World." Lorna was co-executive producer of "Life with Judy Garland," the 5-time Emmy award-winning miniseries based on her best-selling memoir, *Me and My Shadows*. Lorna is also a gifted concert and cabaret artist, and has performed at the Hollywood Bowl, Carnegie Hall, The London Palladium, and L'Olympia in Paris.

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The Carpenter Center's 2022-2023 Cabaret Series

In addition to Lorna Luft on September 21-22, the Carpenter Center's Cabaret series features Ann Hampton Callaway on November 2-3, 2022; Meow Meow on March 22-23, 2023; and Terron Brooks on May 10-11, 2023. Cabaret series subscriptions are still available from \$140-\$180.

<https://www.carpenterarts.org/cabaret-series>

Event Details

Lorna Luft: A Garland Musical Celebration

When: Wed/Thu, Sep 21-22, 2022 at 7 p.m. / Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Venue: The Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center at 6200 E. Atherton St. Long Beach, CA 90815

Tickets: \$45-\$55, available online at carpenterarts.org.

Additional ticketing information is available at carpenterarts.org/ticket-office.

Season press photos are available at carpenterarts.org/press.

For our latest attendance information, please see carpenterarts.org/visit/faq.

About the Carpenter Center

Now celebrating its 27th season, the Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center located on the California State University, Long Beach campus gracefully accommodates large and small productions, seating 1,054 patrons. Each season, the Carpenter Center showcases emerging and established musicians, dancers, actors, speakers, comedians, and visual artists, as well as other artistic, educational, and cultural experiences that enrich lives, promote lifelong learning in and through the performing arts, and serve as a gateway between the university and the greater community.

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