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**Presenting- Stephen Sondheim's Award Winning Musical  
A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC**

(Eustis, FL)... Bay Street Players will open Stephen Sondheim's elegant romantic comedy *A Little Night Music*, February 5, 2010. This five-time Tony Award winning musical will run four weeks through February 28, 2010 at the historic State Theatre in downtown Eustis. *A Little Night Music* is generously sponsored in part by **Gregory & Barbara Phillips, United Arts of Central Florida,** and the **City of Eustis.**

Based on Ingmar Bergman's film, *Smiles of a Summer Night*, this witty and stylish musical is set in turn-of-the century Sweden where affairs of the heart are uppermost in everyone's thoughts. *A Little Night Music*, with book by Hugh Wheeler, is a celebration of the desperation and delights of romantic attraction as a trio of mismatched couples try to find their way to love. Featuring an enchanting score set entirely in waltz-time, *A Little Night Music* includes Sondheim's most popular work, the Grammy Award-winning song "Send in the Clowns."

Artistic Director **David Clevinger** designed and directed the production. His team includes: **John DeHaas**, Musical Director; **William Dumas**, Lighting Designer; **Kate Olsen & Bonnie Swanson**, Costume Designers; **Tara Whitman**, Choreographer, and a crew of community volunteers.

The cast features talent from all over Central Florida: **Jennifer Bonner** (*Desiree*) **Michael Funaro** (*Frederick*), **Genna Kanago** (*Anne*), **Stephanie Adams** (*Countess Charlotte Malcolm*), **Ben Adams** (*Count Carl-Magnus*), **Ashley Willsey** (*Petra*), **Rob Guest, Jr.** (*Henrik*), **Charlotte Jardine** (*Madame Armfeldt*), **Rod Harris** (*Frid*), and **Rebecca Budzynski** and **Korie Bayne** sharing the role of *Fredrika*.

Also featured in the cast are **Asher Adams, Stephanie Bakich, Alfred Howard, Todd Lutz, JoAnn Marchand, Cathy Ratliff** and **Debra Sussman.**

*A Little Night Music* opens February 5 and closes February 28. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday performances begin at 8:00 p.m. Sunday matinee performances begin at 2:30 p.m. Also, there is one Wednesday performance on February 17 at 8:00p.m., and one Saturday matinee performance on February 27 at 2:30 p.m. Patrons attending the opening night production on February 5 are invited to a complimentary reception with the cast following the performance at *Olivia's Coffeehouse & Bistro.*

Tickets are \$19.00 except on Wednesday or Thursday when they are \$16.00. For reservations, call the Box Office at 352.357.7777 or visit [www.baystreetplayers.org](http://www.baystreetplayers.org) to purchase tickets online. Group discounts, gift certificates, student rates, and multi-pass tickets are available. Located at 109 N. Bay Street, Eustis, the Box Office hours are: 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 11:00a.m.-3:00 p.m. on Saturday performance days.

Bay Street Players is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit community theatre celebrating 35 seasons of live theatre in the historic 1922 State Theatre in downtown Eustis.

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