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Chapman Grad Student and His Broadway-Star Wife Create a Musical One-Woman Show About Life, Love and Change

“Change Happens: A Journey in Song” starring Pamela Winslow, will be a fundraiser for Chapman’s Dodge College of Film and Media Arts; Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27 and 28 at 8 p.m.

ORANGE, Calif. – When Chapman University graduate film student Tim Kashani and his wife, Broadway actress-singer Pamela Winslow (Into the Woods, Beauty and the Beast), wanted to write and stage a multi-media musical, they looked no further than Winslow’s own life for inspiration. The result – Change Happens: A Journey in Song – will be performed by Winslow and produced by Kashani on the stage of the new Folino Theatre in Chapman’s Marion Knott Studios on Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $15 general admission, $10 for students and children, and are available in advance at the Chapman Box Office (714-997-6812) or at the door. All of the proceeds will go to support Chapman University’s Dodge College of Film and Media Arts.

Change Happens is a musical journey incorporating spoken word, humor, song and film. The multi-media musical journey takes the audience along for one woman’s Cinderella story of getting to Broadway, including her experience in Hollywood, her struggles, her quantum leap into motherhood, and her continuing search for life’s meaning. The show premiered in New York City as a cabaret performance earlier this fall.

“Change Happens is, quite literally, the journey of a lifetime,” said Peter Levy in his Cabaret Scenes review of the New York debut of the show. “(Winslow’s) songs are interspersed with tales from childhood, through her performance milestones, to a multi-media presentation of photos of her husband and toddler son. A promising introduction to Winslow in a cabaret setting. As a singer and actor, she’s got a lot going for her.”

Pamela Winslow was the original Rapunzel in the Broadway cast of Stephen Sondheim’s hit Into the Woods, and has also performed in the Broadway productions of Meet Me in St. Louis (Lucille) and Beauty and the Beast (Babette). She has performed in countless regional theater productions as well, including appearances at the La Jolla Playhouse, Mark Taper Forum and Orange County Performing Arts Center. On television she played Ensign McKnight in a recurring role on Star Trek: The Next Generation, as well as appearances in They Came From Outer Space, American Dreamer, Late Night with David Letterman, Sirens and The Tony Awards. On film, she played opposite Andy Garcia in Steal Big, Steal Little. On CD, she can be heard on the original cast recording of Into the Woods as well as Primetime Musicals (Varese Sarabande) and Cinderella (Varese Sarabande).