



PRESS RELEASE

MARIA FRIEDMAN JULIA MCKENZIE
JOHN BARROWMAN
and
ARTHUR LAURENTS
as The Narrator

ANYONE
CAN
WHISTLE

BOOK BY
ARTHUR LAURENTS
MUSIC AND LYRICS BY
STEPHEN SONDHEIM
NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Conducted by
JOHN OWEN EDWARDS



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“The brilliance of this recording gives the show more energy and sparkle than it’s ever had. It made me proud of it” Stephen Sondheim

ANYONE CAN WHISTLE premiered in 1964 on Broadway, the First Complete Recording was recorded in 1997 and is now released in 2020.

In the span of 56 years, the show remains as vital, sparkling and relevant as ever. It is uncanny how much the tsunami of unprecedented political and social upheaval in the USA in 2020 mirrors the plot and essence of it. Sondheim’s spectacular and inventive score remains vital and sparkling in its ingenious musical and lyric ingenuity and its melodic creativity. Witty and constantly surprising, it contains Broadway showstoppers, comedy numbers and deeply felt ballads, such as the title song and “With So Little To Be Sure Of.”

The fact that this recording which was recorded 23 years ago in 1997 sounds so fresh and energetic now in 2020 is testimony to the timelessness of it. With Julia Mackenzie, Maria Friedman and John Barrowman, all in the prime of their careers, joined by the book’s author Arthur Laurents, leading a cast of over 35 West End featured actors and stars who proudly sing as a chorus, it is proof of their love and admiration for this much talked-about but rarely seen musical.

As a bonus, the National Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Owen Edwards reveals the wonderful orchestrations of Don Walker.

Recorded over a period which started in 1997 at the famous Abbey Road Studios and completed in New York, it was produced by John Yap.

The release of this recording is a gift to Stephen Sondheim to celebrate his 90th birthday.

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