

Visiting Rod Henley in Las Vegas

by Yas Ichiura

Many of you must know that Rod Henley was a member of the Four Freshmen in group #8 and #11, for almost five years, singing fourth part and playing bass and trombone. He has also been known as a Master of Ceremony of Jam Sessions at previous FFS Conventions. He sings and plays piano at the same time, that you must have enjoyed several times.

Unfortunately, he couldn't join 2018 FFS Convention in South Bend, as his teaching schedule at CSN (College of Southern Nevada) conflicted with our event.



Michiko and I had already planned to stay in Las Vegas after South Bend, before we knew he wouldn't be available. So, I asked for any chance to see him in Las Vegas. His answer was very positive.

To make a long story short, we were invited to his home, for observing the rehearsal of his vocal band Jazzmin, consisting of three men and three women, including his partner, Kathy. They concentrated on rehearsing more Christmas songs at this time of a year. It was amazing for me to see that Rod playing piano, singing his part, and conducting the group at the same time. Michiko and I were so impressed to hear them singing totally acoustically without mics and amps. It was really beautiful. Rod and Kathy kindly invited us for dinner afterwards.

Next morning, he picked us at our hotel and drove us to Ghost Town in Nelson, then to Hoover Dam. He also arranged COMP tickets to *Vegas The Show* for us. We enjoyed dancing and singing, as well as the band playing. It would have never been such a nice and enjoyable stay in Las Vegas, if Rod didn't treat us so well.

Thank you Rod and Kathy!

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2019

January 12, 2019

Arlington Heights, IL

Metropolis Performing Arts Center, 111 West Campbell St.

Showtimes: TBA

Tickets: 847-577-2121

January 27, 2019

Reading, PA

Pops 50th Anniversary Celebration, Reading Pops Orchestra,
Miller Center for the Arts, 4 North Second St.

Showtime: 3:00p

Tickets: 610-607-6270

February 16, 2019

Wichita, KS

Crown Uptown Theatre, 3207 E Douglas Ave.

Showtime: 7:30p

Tickets: 316-612-7696

February 22, 2019

North Hollywood, CA

El Portal Theatre, 5269 Lanershim Blvd.

Showtime: 8:00p

Tickets: 818-508-4200

February 24, 2019

San Juan Capistrano, CA

The Coach House, 33157 Camino Capistrano

Showtime: 7:00p

Tickets/dinner reservations: 949-496-8930

March 2, 2019

Aiken, SC

Aiken Performing Arts Center, AECOM Theater, 126 Newberry St. SW

Showtime: 2:00p and 7:30p

Tickets: 803-648-1438

March 20, 2019

Abingdon, VA

Barter Theatre, 127 W Main St.

Showtime: 7:00p

March 22, 2019

Bonita Springs, FL

First Presbyterian Church, 9751 Bonita Beach Rd. SE

Showtimes: 2:00p and 7:00p

Information: 239-992-3410 x250

Admission is free but you must pick up tickets around March 15, 2019

March 24, 2019

Sarasota, FL

Glenridge Performing Arts Center, 7333 Scotland Way

Showtime: 2:00p

Tickets: 941-552-5325

April 13, 2019

Redwood City, CA

Fox Theater, 2215 Broadway St.

Salute to Glenn Miller and The Big Band Leaders

Showtime: 2:00p

Tickets: 650-298-3427

April 26, 2019

Hastings, MI

Hastings Performing Arts Center, Hastings High School, 520 W South St.

Showtime: 7:00p

Tickets: 269-945-2002

