

The 52nd Street Project Presents

# JELLY OF MY JAMS

**SONGS WRITTEN BY  
YOUNG PEOPLE AND PERFORMED BY  
ADULT MUSICIANS AND SINGERS!**



## **THE 2022 SONGMAKING CONCERT**

Friday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Live onstage and live-streamed to your home.

**THE FIVE ANGELS THEATER**

789 10th Ave. (Between 52nd and 53rd St.)

Admission FREE! For information and reservations, visit [52project.org](https://52project.org)

# JELLY OF MY JAMS

## THE COMPANY

### **The Lyricists**

Caelnne Arango-Ramirez  
Logan Centeno  
Brooke Pendleton

### **The Composers/Musicians**

Rowan Blackwood  
Fouad Dakwar  
Lorenzo Pipino

### **The Singers**

Kendall Cafaro  
Lilli Cooper  
Tommy McDowell  
Sahar Milani  
Ronald Peet  
Neil Tyrone Pritchard  
Angie Toledo  
Natalie Walker

### **Music Director**

Avi A. Amon

### **Songmaking Director**

Garrett Kim

### **Lighting Designer**

Katie Bartz

### **Stage Manager**

Kate Gulden

### **Photography**

Winston Rodney

### **Fall 2022 Interns**

Diego Caoili  
Julia Feenstra

### **Audio Engineer**

Atticus Mulkey

### **Livestream Camera**

Julia Feenstra

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The 52nd Street Project is a non-profit community-based arts organization that brings children from the Hell's Kitchen neighborhood together with professional artists to create original art. The Songmaking program partners 52nd Street Project kids with adult composers to create original songs. Over the seven weeks of Songmaking, led by Avi Amon and Program Director Garrett David Kim, these young lyricists explore how their own words and ideas fit together with their composer's music to create songs. Near the end of the program, we bring in a company of singers to perform the completed songs, and share them with an audience.

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# NEW FAVORITE PASTRY

Lyrics by Logan Centeno

Music by Fouad Dakwar

Sung by Natalie Walker

I wanna become a pastry  
I wanna become a pastry!  
Maybe a cute lil cupcake...  
They're so sweet and small...

I wanna become a pastry  
I wanna become a pastry  
So I won't be bullied  
For being way too savory  
I dream that I'll be sugary  
But back to reality  
Look to reality...

I sneak into the chef's bakery  
And steal some frosting silently  
(Don't do this at home!)  
I dump it on my head  
Even though it's a mess  
Suddenly I hear a bell  
The chef puts me out at front

I think I've become a pastry  
I think I've become a pastry  
'Cause the kids are pointing at me  
And their mouths are watering

I'm their new favorite pastry now  
Bells are ringing out  
I'm their new favorite pastry now  
Cupcakes, get out of town

Yeah ya bakery bullies!!!



# SUNDAY MORNIN', IN OUTER SPACE

Lyrics by Logan Centeno

Music by Fouad Dakwar

Sung by Tommy McDowell

(In grandma voice)

Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Sunday mornin' in outer space

Inside my dream

It's 8:22

Outside my dream

Tingling stars

From my bedroom

Smelling the void

Tastin' the moon!!!

Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Don't let the dream end

Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Sunday mornin', it's getting darker

And I'm feeling weirder

It's 10:22

When will I wake up?

Tingling stars

From my bedroom

I smell the void

Tastin' the moon!!!

Feelin' like deja vu



Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Don't let the dream end

Get back to dreamin'

Get back to dreamin'

Uh oh...

Stars crumblin'

Solar system evaporatin'

Until it all came to an...

END...

I just woke...up



# 52

Lyrics by Logan Centeno

Music by Fouad Dakwar

Sung by Ronald Peet

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Power o' love

Making songs,

Writing plays,

Creativity every day

The 52nd Street Project

There's a strength

From stepping into someone else's shoes...

Whether they be real o' fiction

Sad or joyful, yeh heh

There is a strength in that

Seeing people change the world

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Power of us

Making friends,

Visiting places,

Inspiration's always at hand

There's a strength

From stepping into someone else's shoes...

Whether they be Fivey or Twoey

You or me, yeh he he he

We're the people who will change the world

Only at the expense of our time

The 52nd Street Project

That's us



# BIRTHDAY LETTER

Lyrics by Caelnne Arango-Ramirez

Music by Rowan Blackwood

Sung by Sahar Milani

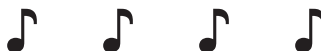
Looking through my window in my room  
Reminds me of my birthday with you  
When we took photographs in my house...  
Spread them in my room...  
Those good times, they were true

All those sleepless nights  
While dreamin' with my eyes,  
Only reminds me how bad it hurts  
And while you party here  
My memories disappear  
Of all the times I was with you in my mind

Now I'm lying in my bed  
With all of the things that you said...  
In my mind, in my mind...  
Those days, weeks, hours & months of being alone  
Without you, without you

Sometimes in those days I can't live  
Without you, I think about you  
Whenever I dream or even think I lose sleep  
About you, about you  
I start to dance around in my head  
Pirouetting, dancing

All those sleepless nights  
While dreamin' with my eyes,  
Only reminds me how bad it hurts  
And while you party here  
My memories disappear  
Of all the times I was with you in my mind.





# THE RESCUE

Lyrics by Caelnne Arango-Ramirez

Music by Rowan Blackwood

Sung by Angie Toledo

Sometimes all you need is a little push to fall  
over the edge  
To blindly leap is not a leap but a jump...  
To somewhere unknown, is the savior or your  
doom...

Is there someone to help me  
Let me breathe...  
Let me breathe

Once you're there is there a turning back...  
Or can you even go back?  
When you're there can you even be there  
Or a trapped place by someone else's side

Oh can someone help me  
Let me breathe  
Can someone help me  
Let me breathe

The help is a rescue  
The way is dark  
The light will come  
Just wait, can you wait?

Grab my hand, hold me tight,  
Go away, please come back.  
When I'm sad, I think of you  
Can someone help me

Can someone help me  
Let me breathe  
Let me breathe

Maybe someday I can breathe  
And maybe take a break.  
Come stay with me...  
Please stay





# FOR GRANTED

Lyrics by Brooke Pendleton

Music by Lorenzo Pipino

Sung by Neil Tyrone Pritchard

I see kids having fun  
But they don't know how it feels  
Don't know when I might be torn down,  
Living in the shadows as if I'm unreal  
I don't get birthday cakes  
And wake up feeling loved  
Not even have a name just sit above  
They view my art without a second glance.  
See me just as a bench.  
They use me as a seat.  
Blocking my view of neighborhood  
If only I was more than a bench  
If only I was more than a bench  
I feel kids who are crying cause  
They can't get a happy meal..  
Sitting on me throwing a fit.  
I wish I could feel the same.  
Having someone to cry to  
Even if it's lame.  
What if I were more than a bench?  
Maybe I'm just a bench.  
I hear kids talking how I look really cool  
Makes me feel brighter than I am  
If only I could say thanks  
But I'll just be a bench  
I'll be their seat  
What if I'm seen more than a bench  
I am more than a bench  
Ooo  
I am more than a bench



# AVOCADO TOAST

Lyrics by Brooke Pendleton

Music by Lorenzo Pipino

Sung by Kendall Cafaro

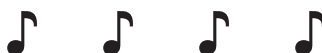
Garnished wrong, all alone,  
What would you call worse?  
Thrown around by a baby,  
What could hurt more?  
I just wanna be with my friends on the same plate  
Yada, yada, yada  
“And I swear if this baby cries one more time!!”  
I HATE WATA’

Stuck alone, with a baby  
What could you call worse?  
Giggling, from all my friends  
What could be more annoying?  
If only I had legs to walk believe me I would  
“What are you doing over there guys?”  
Forgetting I’m ever here

Since I’m burnt, I will do  
what all burnt toast does  
That is roll cause I can  
What’s my other option?  
Hopefully I don’t get spotted  
That would be bad  
Probably would get thrown  
In the trash.  
“Yuck!”

Oh no I’m seen  
Just keep rolling, rolling, rolling  
Oh no  
I’m going to be thrown in the trash  
What are they doing?  
Please put me down  
I’ve whirled so hard

Huh?  
They put me down with my friends?  
Mission success!



# PUMPKIN SPICE

Lyrics by Brooke Pendleton

Music by Lorenzo Pipino

Sung by Lilli Cooper

almost as the leaves regrew just to fall.  
the different shades of orange just in eyes' view.  
as if the previous green leaves left taking the  
warmth too.  
different shapes and sizes of jackets, scarves,  
and hats.  
in shades of brown, burgundy, and black.  
Pumpkin spice all around makes it feel like fall.



come surround the fireplace  
decorate cookies too  
watch movies made way before 2022  
enjoy the pumpkin spice  
makes everything so nice  
I think it feels like fall don't you?

almost as winter is approaching later than expected.  
sunny days ended with breezy nights feels quite right.  
Thanksgiving knocking at the door  
hello fall summer no more

come surround the fireplace  
decorate cookies too  
watch movies made for fall ooooo  
enjoy the pumpkin spice  
makes everything all nice  
I think it feels like fall don't you

All the leaves come to brown.  
More smiles turn into frowns.  
Freezing temperatures came with heavier coats.  
All black no more color shown  
No gold, no red, no yellow, no orange



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