



Barbara Blair sings Saturday night.

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## Jazz singers aid victims of sex attacks

Some of Victoria's favourite jazz divas are coming together for a Divas 2 Concert at the Central Bar and Grill, 708 View St.

It's the local vocalists second show to benefit the Women's Sexual Assault Centre. The event is scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday and will feature Barbara Blair, Sara Marreiros, Miranda Sage, Anne Schaefer, and Divas 2 organizer, Maria Manna.

Pianist Tom Vickery, bassist Joey Smith, drummer Lou Williamson, and saxophonist Brooke Maxwell form the veteran band supporting the singers.

"We'll all do a set of our own material, and I'm going to do a duet with Maria Manna on *Lady Is A Tramp*," said Blair.

"I'll do a couple of songs off my new CD like *My Romance* and old favourites like *Love For Sale* with a New Orleans feel. I'll probably do *Devil May Care*, and I've got a couple of very special medleys to honour some of my favourite singers."

One tribute pairs Ray Charles's version of *You Don't Know Me* with Carmen McRae's inspired reading of *I Fall In Love To Easily*. Another medley pairs a Frank Sinatra-inspired reading of *One For My Baby* with a little known Nat King Cole tune called *I Keep Goin' Back To Joe's*.

Tickets for Diva 2 are \$15 in advance, \$17.50 at the door. Call 361-1700 to reserve or for more information.

— Joseph Blake/TC