

**Thursday, December 9, 2010, 9:30 PM:**

**Jim Caruso's Cast Party at the Magic Castle,**

the hugely popular open mic nights hosted by Jim Caruso,  
featured impromptu performances of Kay Thompson songs  
to celebrate the publication of Sam Irvin's biography,  
*Kay Thompson: From Funny Face to Eloise.*

**The Magic Castle**

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Cast Party host Jim Caruso (who portrayed Dick Williams in *Liza's at the Palace*);  
the real Dick Williams (of Kay Thompson and the Williams Brothers);  
Cortes Alexander (who played Don Williams in *Liza's at the Palace*);  
Cast Party pianist Billy Stritch (who was the pianist-conductor of *Liza's at the Palace*);  
and Sam Irvin (author of *Kay Thompson: From Funny Face to Eloise*).

(Photo by Brian Putnam)

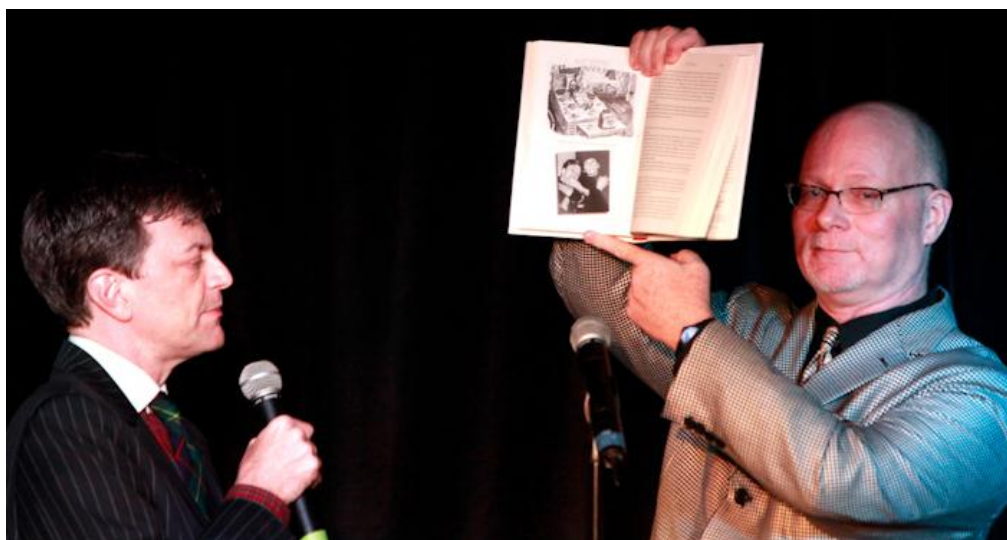


Jim Caruso, Dick Williams, Cortes Alexander and Billy Stritch performed Kay Thompson's "Hello, Hello."  
(Photos by Brian Putnam)





Jim Caruso and Sam Irvin plug *Kay Thompson: From Funny Face to Eloise*.  
(Photos by Brian Putnam)



Sam Irvin points out a photo of Jim Caruso & Kay Thompson that is published in *Kay Thompson: From Funny Face to Eloise*. (Photo by Brian Putnam)



Billy Stritch and Jim Caruso. (Photo by Brian Putnam)



Dick Williams, performer Erich Bergen, Sam Irvin.  
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