

HISTORY OF SHOW

BOYNTON BEACH CLUB began as a movie in 2006. The director/producer developed the movie based on an original story by her mother Florence, who lives in Boynton Beach. The movie was filmed in various locations all around the Boynton Beach and Delray area, incorporating many of the local residents as extras. The cast included a group of veteran movie stars, Dyan Cannon, Brenda Vaccaro, Joe Bologna, Sally Kellerman, Len Cariou & Michael Nouri.

The eventual composer, along with the lyricist, saw the movie and felt it had all the makings of a musical. They contacted the director (who was also the film's co-writer), and the decision was made to move forward—with the original director/writer contributing the libretto.

In subsequent years, Broadway actors were recruited who gave splendid performances during developmental readings of the show. Among actors who've appeared in various incarnations are Barbara Walsh, Alan Campbell, Robert Cuccioli, Tovah Feldshuh, Heather MacRae, Donna McKechnie, P.J. Benjamin, Jeff Keller, Leah Hocking, Stephen Berger, Beth Austin, Nora Mae Lyng, Ernestine Jackson, Audrey Lavine, Ann Crumb, Joan Barber, Mark Zimmerman, Cheryl Stern, Adinah Alexander, Barbara Minkus, Tim Shew, and Susan Bigelow.

The first reading, presented by The Directors Company at the Snapple Theater Center, was on June 9, 2008. As a result, the show was optioned by Avi Hoffman for the New Vista Theater in Boca Raton, FL; unfortunately the theatre closed down for financial reasons and that production never happened. In 2009, a staged reading was presented November 19-20 as part of the reading series at the York Theatre in NYC. In 2012, the musical was presented for four performances in concert, from February 4-February 12, at the Park Vista Theatre in Lake Worth FL.