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CHICAGO'S MUSIC: THE MUSICAL production "Two Gentlemen of Chicago," which is a takeoff on the classic Shakespeare play "Two Gentleman of Verona," opened March 23 at the Falcon Theatre in Burbank, Calif., and is packing them in. The two-hour play is filled with singing, dancing and improv performed by the Troubadour Theater Company and is selling out primarily because it features at least 15 signature tunes from the legendary rock group Chicago's awesome catalog of songs from their 45 years of putting out blockbuster albums and touring the world.

The show is scheduled to close April 22, but given the praise and accolades from critics and theatergoers, talks are in the works to take it on the road. Pete Schivarelli, longtime manager of the rock group Chicago, said, "I have heard nothing but great things about the play and have been contacted by several groups interested in possibly taking it on tour."

The rock group Chicago's lead singer and writer of a lot of the songs, Robert Lamm, and his wife, Joy, saw the play recently and said: "I tried to slide in and out without being noticed, but after the show, the director asked the audience to take their seats and he proceeded to introduce me, very respectfully. And then had all the actors run out to our seats with albums to sign. It was hilarious."