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The Citadel

Presents

Marion J. Caffey's

3 *Mo'*
DIVAS

A Musical Celebration of Class, Sass & Style
Created, Directed and Choreographed by Marion J. Caffey

October 21 – November 12, 2006
Maclab Theatre

"Soaring vocal talent."
Los Angeles Times

"Enough electricity to keep the whole town sizzlin"
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EDMONTON, AB – 3 Mo' Divas follows the great success of Broadway writer/director, **Marion J. Caffey's** international hit, *Three Mo' Tenors*, which opened to critical and audience acclaim in New York City in 2000, taped for PBS, recorded a CD for RCA, recorded a DVD for BMG and is still touring strong in 2006. Marion J. Caffey's production of ***Cookin' at the Cookery*** was presented last season to rave reviews and had the audience on their feet every night.

The Mo' concept was inspired by the incredibly successful *The Three Tenors* concerts. The living legends used in that series are of phenomenal talent, icon stature and deservedly so. Mr. Caffey's *Tenors and Divas*, fills a void of sass and versatility left by those concerts. **3 Mo' Divas** is an entertaining, theatrically staged concert, performed magnificently by some of the most phenomenal and versatile talent the world has to offer.

Versatility is the strength of these Divas and the strength of this show. These incredible singers take on the unbelievable task of crossing eight musical styles and 400 years of music in one evening, including opera, Broadway, jazz, blues, soul, new school, spirituals and gospel. This amazing musical feat is accomplished by the same three women, all the while maintaining the integrity of each musical style. Due to the extraordinary vocal demand, there are two casts of Divas, each performing four shows a week.

With **3 Mo' Divas**, the evening of high classical art combined with unimaginable versatility allows the audience to witness and experience a musical night that can only be heard at a Caffey Mo' Music event! As Mr. Caffey likes to say, "This ain't your daddy's opera baby!"

3 Mo' Divas is guaranteed to have audiences standing and cheering "more - more - more"! The broad range of music allows **3 Mo' Divas** to deliver some all time favorites. **3 Mo' Divas** is an excellent and spectacular concert for the entire family.

3 Mo' Divas features **Gretha Boston** (last seen at the Citadel in *Cookin' at the Cookery*); **Yvette Gonzalez-Nacer** (*Citadel debut*); **Andrea Jones-Sojola** (*Citadel debut*); **Laurice Lanier** (*Citadel debut*); **DeVonna Lawrence** (*Citadel debut*); **Jamet Pittman** (*Citadel debut*).

Joining Mr. Caffey in bringing the Divas to Edmonton are Musical Director/Conductor/Piano **Victor Simonson** (*Citadel debut*); Set Designer **Dale F. Jordan** (*Cookin' at the Cookery*); Lighting Designer **Richard Winkler** (*Citadel debut*); Sound Designer **Peter McBoyle** (*West Side Story*); Costume Designer **Toni Leslie-James** (*Citadel debut*); Wig Designer **Bettie O. Rogers** (*Cookin' at the Cookery*); Stage Manager **Gina Moe** (*Cookin' at the Cookery*); Assistant Stage Manager **Tracey Byrne** (*Cookin' at the Cookery*).

The musicians are **John Coffey** (*Synthesizer*); **Brett Liebham** (*Guitar/Electric Guitar*); **Sipho Kunene** (*Drummer*); **Mike Lent** (*Bass/Electric Guitar*); **Kent Sangster** (*Reeds*).

3 Mo' Divas will appear at the Citadel Theatre from October 21 to November 12, 2006. Tickets can be purchased by phone, **780.425.1820**, online at **citadeltheatre.com** or in person at the **Box Office, 9828 101 A Avenue**.

The World Premiere of **3 Mo' Divas** was produced by San Diego Repertory Theatre Sam Woodhouse, Artistic Director; Karen Wood, Managing Director

3 Mo' Divas is co-produced by MariMo/Dancap; Arena Stage, Washington, DC; Studio Arena, Buffalo, N.Y.

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Ticket Prices

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	Adult Tickets	Senior/Student Tickets
Previews	\$45	\$35
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	\$50	\$40
Thursday Matinee	\$45	\$35
Friday	\$50	\$40
Saturday/Sunday Matinee	\$55	\$45
Saturday	\$60	\$50
Sunday	\$50	\$40

GST will be added. Tickets subject to availability. Prices subject to change.

PREVIEWS:

Saturday, October 21; Sunday, October 22; Tuesday, October 24; Wednesday, October 25

OPENING NIGHTS:

Thursday, October 26

Friday, October 27

CLOSING NIGHT:

Sunday, November 12

All shows are 8:00 p.m., nightly, with 2:00 p.m. matinees on Sundays.

There is a 2:00 p.m. matinee on Saturday, November 11.

There are no performances on Mondays.

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