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MOTOWN THE MUSICAL

McCALLUM THEATRE

8 performances

Tuesday, January 16 - Sunday, January 21

Palm Desert, CA – Work Light Productions and the McCallum Theatre present **MOTOWN THE MUSICAL** for eight performances Tuesday, January 16, through Sunday, January 21. The hit Broadway musical features music and lyrics from the legendary Motown catalogue and is produced by Kevin McCollum, Doug Morris and Motown founder Berry Gordy.

Directed by Charles Randolph-Wright, **MOTOWN** is the true American dream story of Motown founder Berry Gordy's journey from featherweight boxer to the heavyweight music mogul who launched the careers of Diana Ross, Michael Jackson, Stevie Wonder, Smokey Robinson, Marvin Gaye and so many more.

Featuring all the classics you love, **MOTOWN** tells the story behind the hits as Diana, Smokey, Berry and the whole Motown family fight against the odds to create the soundtrack of change in America. Motown shattered barriers, shaped our lives and made us all move to the same beat.

MOTOWN THE MUSICAL features staging by Schele William; choreography by Patricia Wilcox (*A Night with Janis Joplin*) and Warren Adams (*Toy Story*); scenic design by David Korins (*Bring It On: The Musical*, *Annie*); costume design by Tony Award[®] nominee Emilio Sosa (*The Gershwins' Porgy and Bess*, "Project Runway"); lighting design by Tony Award[®] winner Natasha Katz (*Once*, *Sister Act*); sound design by Tony Award[®] nominee Peter Hylenski (*Rock of Ages*, *The Scottsboro Boys*); projection design by Daniel Brodie (*Aladdin*); hair and wig design by Charles LaPointe (*Memphis*); and casting by Wojcik | Seay Casting.

MOTOWN THE MUSICAL's arrangements and orchestrations are by Grammy and Tony Award[®] nominee Ethan Popp (*Rock of Ages*), who also serves as music supervisor in reproducing the classic "Sound of Young America," with co-orchestrations and additional arrangements by Tony Award[®] nominee Bryan Crook ("Smash"), and dance arrangements by Zane Mark (*Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*).

MOTOWN THE MUSICAL was originally produced by Tony Award[®] winning producer Kevin McCollum (*Rent*, *In the Heights*, *Avenue Q*), Chairman and CEO of SONY Music Entertainment Doug Morris and Motown Founder Berry Gordy.

Performance times for *Motown the Musical* are:

Tuesday, January 16, 8:00pm

Wednesday, January 17, 8:00pm

Thursday, January 18, 8:00pm

Friday, January 19, 8:00pm

Saturday, January 20, 2:00pm and 8:00pm

Sunday, January 21, 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Tickets for these performances are priced from \$57 - \$137, depending on performance time and seating.

Tickets are available at the Theatre's website at www.mccallumtheatre.com or by calling the McCallum Theatre Box Office at (760) 340-ARTS. The McCallum Theatre, located at 73000 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert CA 92260, accepts payment by cash, personal check, VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express.

*The McCallum Theatre Box Office, its phone center and website, are the **only** authorized outlets for tickets to performances presented at the Theatre. Tickets purchased from any other sources, such as brokers or secondary market websites, are purchased at consumer's own risk and cannot be guaranteed as valid.*

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