

Purple Phoenix Productions
is pleased to present

ARETHA AT THE APOLLO

This high-voltage tribute concert features gifted vocalist/entertainer **Stacie Calkins**, accompanied by a live 8-piece band and 3 female backing vocalists. The concert includes songs that the legendary Ms. Franklin has recorded and performed over her 50-year career, including “Think”, “Chain of Fools”, “Until You Come Back To Me”, “Baby, I Love You”, “Day Dreaming”, “Rock Steady”, “Freeway Of Love”, “Ain’t Nothin’ Like The Real Thing”, “Do Right Woman”, “See Saw”, “Jumpin’ Jack Flash”, “I Never Loved A Man”, “I Say A Little Prayer”, “A Deeper Love”, “Since You’ve Been Gone”, “Sisters Are Doing It For Themselves” and her iconic hits “A Natural Woman” and “R-E-S-P-E-C-T”.

Known as *The Queen Of Soul*, Ms. Franklin began her career singing blues and jazz, was never far from her Gospel roots, and ventured into the world of classical music when she filled in for an ailing Pavarotti at the 1998 Grammy Awards. **ARETHA AT THE APOLLO** honors these aspects of Franklin’s career by including “This Could Be The Start Of Something Big”, “Dr. Feelgood”, “Spirit In The Dark” and Puccini’s “Nessun Dorma” among the song list.

Overall, Ms. Franklin has received 21 Grammys (including two honorary ones) and has been nominated for another 17. For the first seven years that a Grammy was given for *Best Rhythm & Blues Female Vocal*, Aretha was the only woman to receive the award. She also had 20 Top Ten hits, many of which hit #1 on both the pop and the R&B charts. Aretha is the first female artist inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, the second woman inducted into the United Kingdom’s Music Hall of Fame, and Rolling Stone Magazine listed her first on its list of The Greatest Singers of All Time.

Ms. Calkins, an accomplished entertainer in her own right, brings the excitement of an Aretha Franklin concert to life with astounding ease, electrifying her audiences in every performance.



Stacie Calkins in
ARETHA AT THE APOLLO



VENUES PLAYED:

Historic Everett Theatre – Everett, WA
Centerstage Theatre -- Federal Way, WA

VENUE TESTIMONIALS:

“When Purple Phoenix Productions bring any of their shows through our theatre, it is the least stressful gig for me to prepare for during our season. Their musicians and vocalists are so respectful of my time and make it easy for me to provide for their needs. Working on any concert where Stacie Calkins is the featured performer is a pleasure”.

Amy Silvera, Technical Director
Centerstage Theatre, Federal Way, WA

“Purple Phoenix Productions always brings top-quality entertainment to our stage, to the delight of our community. And it is always a thrill to have Stacie Calkins perform here -”.

Mike Olson, Manager
Historic Everett Theatre, Everett, WA