

DEBBIE REYNOLDS

Alive & Fabulous

at

HISTORIC EL PORTAL THEATRE IN NOHO

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

FOR 3rd CONSECUTIVE YEAR

September 23-October 3

AND the Thalian's Red Carpet Celebrity Benefit

at El Portal

on September 24th will be star studded



Weddington Street Productions proudly presents **DEBBIE REYNOLDS: Alive & Fabulous**, starring the legendary Debbie Reynolds with Musical Director Joey Singer. The award-winning actress whose career spans six decades, brings her one-woman show to the historic El Portal Theatre Mainstage in North Hollywood for nine performances only September 23- October 3, 2010. This will be her 3rd consecutive engagement at the NOHO landmark.

In addition **DEBBIE REYNOLDS: ALIVE & FABULOUS** will incorporate a very special Thaliens Red Carpet Celebrity Evening at the El Portal Theatre on Friday, September 24th. Debbie Reynolds and Ruta Lee founded the Thaliens 55 years ago and continue to raise money for mental health *from Pediatrics to Geriatrics*. This special evening will start at 6:30 pm with a Silent Auction, tray passing of Gourmet Appetizers, amazing cocktails, and then Debbie Reynolds: Alive and Fabulous on stage followed by special guest stars.

Debbie Reynolds who grew up in Burbank and rode her bicycle to the El Portal Movie Palace at 15 to see the double-features, cartoons and serials of the day. One year later, she would be starring in the movies at MGM. And this is the same Debbie Reynolds who was named "Miss Burbank" in 1948, was a cheerleader for John Burroughs High School, and who went on to "Singin' in the Rain" fame, starring Donald O' Connor and Gene Kelly, to "Tammy," to the Oscar®- nominated "The Unsinkable Molly Brown," and another 25 films.

She has more awards and accolades than any star in show business -- *two* Walk of Fame Stars (not one!) on Hollywood Blvd.

And this is the same Debbie Reynolds who, in the late 70's, established DR Studios in North Hollywood on Lankershim Blvd., for dance and theatre rehearsals and auditions. DR Studios continues to launch and rehearse many of today's major musicals, concert tours, and TV specials. Just like "Superwoman," Debbie is here, there and everywhere! This year, in three months alone, she has traveled to England, Australia, Florida, Texas, Atlantic City, Washington, Chicago, and more.

Variety says this about Debbie Reynolds in concert: *The missing ingredient these days is showmanship. Debbie displays bundles of it -- she does not hold back. She doesn't cheat an audience -- she wouldn't even think of doing so!*

Hollywood Reporter says: *Debbie Reynolds grip on the American heart is one that will transcend generations. She is, and will always truly be, America's Sweetheart.*"

Built in 1926, the El Portal Theatre is an historical landmark located in the heart of NoHo. The El Portal theatre opened in the San Fernando Valley, as a vaudeville and silent movie theatre. During the sound era, it became one of the city's most prominent second-run houses. It eventually became an all-Spanish language movie theatre. Rebuilt in the late 90s and opened in January of 2000, the once 1400-seat movie palace now houses three theatres and an art gallery.

For tickets and information please call 818-508-4200. For press tickets please call 818-508-0281.

CALENDAR LISTING

DEBBIE REYNOLDS: Alive & Fabulous

Debbie Reynolds Productions in Association with Weddington Street Productions

CAST:

Starring Debbie Reynolds

Musical Director Joey Singer

PERFORMANCES:

September 23 – October 3, 2010

Special Gala Thaliens Benefit Friday September 24 at 6:30pm

Silent Auction, Red Carpet Celebrity Guests, Cocktails, Gourmet Appetizers.

Evening includes Debbie Reynolds : Alive & Fabulous plus surprise guests on stage.

Performances Evenings:

Thursdays – Saturdays at 8pm

Matinees:

Sundays: September 26th and October 3 at 3pm

Wednesday September 29 at 3pm

There will be a Q & A Session with Debbie immediately following the matinees on Sundays at 3 pm and Wednesday, September 29 at 3 pm

PRICES:

ALL PERFORMANCES

Center Orchestra \$60

Side Orchestra \$45

Tickets for Special Thaliens Gala are \$125.

TICKET INFORMATION:

Call 818-508-4200 or 866-811-4111.

or order online www.elportaltheatre.com

WHERE:

El Portal Theatre – Mainstage

5269 Lankershim Blvd.

North Hollywood, CA 91601

At the corner of Lankershim & Weddington

PARKING:

Complimentary parking at the corner of Weddington & Bakman and across Lankershim in the NoHo Commons Retail parking lot...just follow the red signs.

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