

LOS ANGELES WOMEN'S THEATRE FESTIVAL



Freda Payne



Sei Suxilowati



Juliette Jeffers



Anna Marie Agriel



Dina Morrone

THURSDAY • 23RD • 8 P.M.

Champagne Gala & Awards Ceremony, 7 p.m.

Hosted by actor **Anna Maria Horsford** (*The Shield/Amen*) and actor/director/playwright **Ted Lange** (*The Love Boat*)

"Brava!"

LOS ANGELES WOMEN'S THEATRE FESTIVAL AWARDEES

AWARDEES:

MARIA COSTA - actor - *Macho Men and The Women Who Love Them* (Maverick Award)

LEE MERIWETHER - actor - *All My Children* (Rainbow Award)

FREDA PAYNE - vocalist/actor - *Bring the Boys Home/Band of Gold* (Integrity Award)

ADA LUZ PLA - actor/writer - *Tracing My Lineage* (Rainbow Award)

PERFORMERS:

SRI SUSILOWATI

Love's All Worshipped Tomb

This dance piece explores the emotions and feelings surrounding the experience of breast cancer.

MEGAN SULLIVAN

I Hate Musicals

A musical theatre performer gets more than she bargained for at an audition.

FRIDAY • 24TH • 8 P.M.

Hosted by LAWTF Co-Founder and actor **Joyce Guy** (*West Wing/Nobel's Son*) and writer/actor **Michele LaMar Richards** (*The Bodyguard*)

"Bloodlines"

BERNADETTE BALAGTAS

Bernadette

A stand-up comic view of life as a Filipino-American.

ANDREA LWIN

Slanted

A quirky Chinese-raised Muslim girl's quest for social acceptance is thwarted by her immigrant mom.

JULIETTE JEFFERS

Batman and Robin in the Boogie Down

On the tenth anniversary of her brother's death, Juliette takes a poignant, yet funny look back on her close relationship with her older brother.

SATURDAY • 25TH • 2 P.M.

Hosted by award-winning **Shirley Jo Finney** (*Yellowman*) and **Ella Joyce** (*Roc/Bubba Ho-Tep*)

"Unsilenced"

RUTH FEATHERSTONE

Ruth Featherstone Sings

Renowned gospel singer Ruth Featherstone sings, *The Impossible Dream* and *His Eye Is On the Sparrow*.

TERESA WILLIS

Eenie Meenie

A young woman recounts her introduction to race differences that include the first time she meets an African American, while she invites the audience to look at their own experiences with racism.

MZURI

The Fannie Lou Hamer Story

This piece chronicles civil rights activist Fanny Lou Hamer in her struggle for African American's right to vote in Mississippi.

ANNA MARIE AGNIEL

Slow Children Playing

This is Mary Kate's heartwarming story of a developmentally delayed life as told through the eyes of her "normal" sister.

SATURDAY • 25TH • 8 P.M.

Hosted by **3 Blacque Chix**
(Mariann Aulda, Lola Love and Iona Morris)

"Raw"

DINA MORRONE

The Italian In Me

A wacky and perverted journey of an Italian-American actress who tries to be taken seriously as a performer in Italy.

MONICA SANCHEZ

From the Chronicles of Odisia Sanchez

This excerpt is an autobiographical odyssey that is a personal mythology, a travelogue of the heart.

FYLICIA RENEE KING

Mama Was a Bad Muther... Shut Yo Mouth

This piece, set in Omaha, Nebraska, takes a look at one woman's wild mother, using a moving and grooving house party as the backdrop for her mother's world.

SAVE THE DATE

"Melodies in Motion"

Mother's Day • May 14, 2006 • 2 pm

This LAWTF Spring Fundraiser stars vocalists **Freda Payne** (*A Band of Gold/Bring the Boys Home*), **Dawnn Lewis** (*A Different World*),

Tata Vega (*The Color Purple*), **Louis Price** (*Temptations*), singer/flutist **Dawn Norfleet** and blues singer **Margie Evans** in this musical cabaret celebration that will take the audience on a journey from jazz, to gospel, to pop and to toe-tapping rhythm and blues.

MADRID THEATRE

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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2006 • 7 P.M.

**Opening Night Champagne Gala
and Awards Ceremony**

LAWTF will again open the Festival by honoring distinguished women who have made laudable and lasting contributions to the theatre community. This year's recipients include actor **Maria Costa** of *Macho Men and The Women Who Love Them* (*Maverick Award*), veteran actor **Lee Meriwether** of *All My Children* (*Eternity Award*), vocalist/actor **Freda Payne** of *Bring the Boys Home/Band of Gold* (*Integrity Award*), and actor/writer **Ada Luz Pla** of *Tracing My Lineage* (*Rainbow Award*).



TED LANGE
Host, (*The Love Boat*)



ANNA MARIA HORSFORD
Host, (*The Shield Amen*)



DANNY GLOVER
Honorary Chairperson



HATTIE WINSTON
Honorary Co-Chairperson

ADMISSION

Champagne Gala & Awards Ceremony

\$50 (a pair) • \$30 (single ticket)

OTHER PERFORMANCES

VIP Pass (all shows)	\$120
General	\$20
Groups (10 or more)	\$18
Seniors, Students and Industry	\$18

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Present your ticket stub from any Festival performance and receive \$2 off the admission for any remaining Festival performances.

The Los Angeles Women's Theatre Festival (LAWTF) was organized in 1993 to produce solo performances by women and to provide a vehicle for the development of women artists and their work. The first Annual Festival was held in March 1994, to coincide with the nationally recognized Women's History Month. LAWTF performances celebrate women as artists and cherishes the dignity of women in their roles as daughters, mothers, sisters and shapers of the community.

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2006

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Thursday

March 23

Champagne Gala and
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Friday - Saturday

March 24-26



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