KOOL CITY JAM Tour To Feature Evelyn "Champagne" King

fervescent Evelyn "Champagne" King will headline the third edition of the KOOL CITY JAM national tour of ten cities this summer. Joining the versatile Ms. King at various points on the tour will be national recording artists KoKo-Pop, Klymaxx and RJ's Latest Arrival.

These national stars will be joined by an array of local musical groups as the 1985 KOOL CITY JAM tour crisscrosses the country with one of the largest free concert tours ever assembled. The KOOL CITY JAM tour is sponsored by the makers of KOOL cigarettes, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, headquartered in Louisville, Kentucky

The KOOL CITY JAM tour debuted in 1983 and met with both audience and critical acclaim immediately. Nearly one million people witnessed these electrifying outdoor concerts in its short two year history. The free afternoon concerts



Evelyn "Champagne" King

take on a festival flavor in each city with picnic lunches and lawn chairs creating the open air theaters for the concerts held in public parks.

The 1985 edition of the KOOL CITY JAM tour starts in Los Angeles; California on

June 2, on the campus of the Southwest Los Angeles Community College. Evelyn King and Klymaxx, the six member, all female rock band currently riding the crest of their latest hit "Meeting in the Ladies

Room," will kick off the concert series in L.A.

After a brief break, the KOOL CITY JAM tour will be non-stop beginning with the Dallas concert on June 16 in Rochester Park featuring Evelyn and KoKo-Pop, a five member Motown Record label recording group all from Columbus, Ohio. Saxophonist and lead singer Chris Powell formed the group of fellow "Buckeyes" shortly after leaving the horn section of the Rick James

King and KoKo-Pop will lead the talent on the next two KOOL CITY JAM dates of June 23 in New Orleans (City Park) and June 30 in Birmingham, Alabama (Rickwood Stadium).

In July, the KOOL CITY JAM tour begins its east coast and midwest swing in Newark's Weequahic Park on July 7. Again, Evelyn King will headline the show, but this time with RJ's Latest Arrival. This R&B group has already had a top five chart hit with "Shackles" in 1984. The group's leader and keyboardist, Ralph J. also composes, arranges and produces all of Latest Arrival's material. His writing talents also extend to other artists such as Dionne Warwick with a special written song for the documentary,

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Stevie Wonder was honored at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City on his birthday, Monday, May 13, for his untiring efforts in behalf of Black South Africans fighting against Apartheid in their country. Before representatives of the United Nations and many friends and well-wishers, he was lauded by members of the UN Committee Against Aparatheid and received a Proclamation in recognition of his concern and work. He delivered an eloquent acceptance speech and then gave an impromptu concert, singing severa songs he composed especially for the occasion.

Mondays

5:00 pm Nipsey Russell's Juvenile

Jury 5:30 pm The Bill Gosby Show

6:00 pm | Spy 7:00 pm Video Soul

9:00 pm Video Vibrations

Tuesdays

This Week in Black 5:00 pm Entertainment

5:30 pm 5:30 pm Karen's Kitchen 6:00 pm Black Showcase 7:00 pm Video Soul 9:00 pm Video Vibrations

Wednesdays

5:00 pm Coming Together 5:30 pm Black Classic Film Series 7:00 pm Video Soul 9:00 pm Video Vibrations

Thursdays

On Line With 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm Black Showcase Video Soul 9:00 pm Video Vibrations

Fridays

5:00 pm Front Page: The Week in 5:30 pm

This Week in Black Entertainment 6:00 pm 7:00 pm

9:00 pm Video Vibrations

Saturdays

5:00 pm Black College Sports Video Soul 8:00 pm Video Vibrations 9:00 pm

Sundays

Ever Increasing Faith The Bobby Jones Gospel 5:00 pm 6:00 pm Show Vast TV Auction

7:00 pm On Line With Video Vibrations 9:00 pm





"American Journey."

KoKo-Pop and Evelyn team up again in Memphis for the July 14 KOOL CITY JAM in Tom Lee Park. Then it's RJ's Latest Arrival and Evelyn ''Champagne'' King headlining the tour's last four concerts starting with Gary, Indiana on July 21 in Gilroy Stadium. Next the tour visits St. Louis' Forest Park on July 28, Cleveland's Luke Easter Park on August 4 and finally, Detroit's Michigan State Fairgrounds on August

In each city, the national artists will be joined by the tops in local musical talent. These local groups are favorites in their respective

The KOOL CITY JAM tour is produced by Santino Productions Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, exclusively for Brown & Williamson. In each city, the concerts will be held on a Sunday afternoon beginning at 1 p.m. and are scheduled to end at dusk. The concerts are free to the public.

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feature wild about Honi Coles, who's in the city of law makers starring in "My One And Only," showing off the talent which won him a Tony and a Drama Desk Award, the only tap dancer to ever win both.

CONVERSATION ROWE -

Folks on the eastern entertainment end are wondering if the promotion of Stanley Robertson as a Columbia Pic. senior vice prexy will change the total flicker scene that much . . . Columbia Records is expecting platinum and gold to reward its release of Marvin Gay songs. Most of them were taken from an album he was working on when he was gunned down by his father in the heat of an argument . . . A new Cotton Club style musical is being readied for the boards. Titled, "Harlen Hot and Sassy," it's to be choreographed by Maurice Remember that battle Cicely Tyson had about being fired from "The Corn Is Green" when she was starred in it on B'way back in Sept. of '83? Well you know she got legal about it and took Elizabeth Taylor and Zev Bufman to arbitration. Well she won her case and the arbitrator ordered that she be paid \$607,079 . . . STAY LOOSE . . . Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.