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Jay Leno And The O'Jays At Caesars Palace July 12-17



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Comedy star Jay Leno returns to centerstage in the Caesars Palace Circus Maximus Showroom July 12-17, headlining cocktail shows that also star recording artists The O'Jays.

Leno, permanent guest host for Johnny Carson's ''Tonight Show,'' also maintains a busy schedule of live performances. The self-proclaimed Foot Soldier of Comedy does an average 250 concert dates each year, selling out such venues as New York's Carnegie Hall and Los Angeles's Universal Amphitheatre.

Committed to staying in touch with his audience, Leno also continues to play smaller towns like Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Pocatello, Idaho.

Leno's witty observations of simple, everyday life have endeared him to millions. On television or in live performances he is truly at home with his audiences. Carefully avoiding offensive materials, he delights in taking on life's idiosyncrasies, laughing at his own folly as easily as he chides others.

The O'Jays, popular recording artists and backup singers in the 1960s, are best known for their 1973 million-selling single "Love Train." In 1976, their LP "Message in Our Music" yielded three number-one rhythm and blues singles: "Livin" For the Weekend," "Message In Our Music" and "Darlin", Darlin' Baby."

A string of chart records followed, with 1987's "Lovin" You" topping Billboard magazine's roster of hot black singles. Their newest album, "Serious," has yielded highly touted single "Never Been Better."

Today's O'Jays -- Eddie Levert, Walter Williams and Sammy Strain -- have been harmonizing since 1975. Outside the spotlight, they work together on a variety of community projects. Touring spokespersons for Artists and Athletes Against Apartheid, they were named members of its executive committee. The trio also directs its musical message to such problem areas as teen pregnancies and keeping love alive in a troubled world.

At Caesars Palace, Jay Leno and The O'Jays perform in cocktail shows nightly at 8:30 and midnight.

BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

Without a flip of the cards, or a roll of the dice international entrepreneur James Cuffee has filed an intent to legally win a million dollars, or more jack pot from this eastern dice paradise. His legal beef ranges from police brutality to attempted murder by a police officer and effecting an illegal arrest of his person. The story made headlines a few weeks past when an altercation, fueled by a misunderstanding of an alleged parking violation afront the Amtrak train station in this city, escalated into a confrontation between patrolman Ed Shepperson, whom Cuffee charged almost killed him with a coke hold, and his partner, William Stewart. Such a hold has been outlawed in some police departments, as it could and has caused death to targets of police actions. Cuffee who owns several properties

in Atlanta City, including a motel and radio station WUSS, said that the attempt to involve Mayor James Usry, the city's historic African American chief executive, is a political attack to create media headlines. By the way of facts, the involved auto did not belong to Jim Cuffee, neither was he in the driver's seat when the Amtrak supervisor allegedly asked the off-duty patrolmen to move it. Jim Cuffee is no stranger to the trenches to ward off the encroachment against human rights. A lone and silent warrior his world class endurance is legendary and precedential. Then too he has won more than he has lost.

FOR SHAME:--The excerpts which sparked the headlines of the print and electronic media from Jose Torres' book, "Fire and

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and "Downtown" Julie Brown &
the Club MTV Dancers
Tickets: \$18.50 & \$19.50
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On Sale: Saturday, July 8

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