



BESSIE * BILLIE * DINAH **Empress, Lady & Queen of the Blues**

Songs & Stories of Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday & Dinah Washington

Five Shows for ADELAIDE FRINGE 2020

Join us in celebrating the lives and music of Three Musical Giants of the Early 20th Century. They all sang from their souls, touched the hearts of millions and died before their 45th birthday's!

- * One, was the highest paid performer of her era in the world,
- * One, was awarded four posthumous Grammy's
- * One, had nine husbands!

This show encapsulates the essence of these three lady's gifts to the world's music culture throughout the decades, bringing to the stage brilliant masterpieces of song, presented by one of SA's own Quartets. Each song is delivered with emotion embellished with background images and intermittent stories & quotes from each of their lives. All three singers performed and recorded with the biggest bands and orchestras of the day including Louis Armstrong, Benny Goodman, Lionel Hampton & Quincy Jones leaving us with unforgettable songs like AIN'T MISBEHAVIN', MAKIN' WHOOPEE, ST. LOUIS BLUES & more. Audiences will find themselves singing along to songs like SEND ME TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR!!



"We all thoroughly enjoyed the show. The unknown back stories on Bessie, Billie & Dinah were particularly enlightening-sad, funny & tragic"
Kathy Bergland, SA, March 2017

"Loved the show, Bonnie & her band's tribute to these 3 blues legends was brilliant!!" **Anne Mitchell, SA, March 2017**

Performed by South Australian Quartet, JAZZ in CHEEK featuring:-

BONNIE LEE GALEA on voice (Blonde Bombshells of Jazz)

QUINTON DUNNE on Double Bass/Voice (The Beggars),

RICHARD COATES on Keys (The Huckleberry Swedes) &

JOSH CHENOWETH on trumpet (The Hot Sardines)

[TICKETS AT FringeTIX or on 1300 621 255](#)

* Two Daytime Shows - Stirling & Murray Bridge

* Three Evening Shows – Treasury 1860 in city for two shows and Noarlunga for one.

Show Duration: 75 min for Adelaide Fringe

Target Market: Seniors, Blues, Jazz & Swing Fans of All Ages, Nostalgia fans, Followers of any or all of the three women

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Presented by Onkaparinga Council

SAT 15 FEB, 2020 / 8pm – 9.45pm (with interval) NOARLUNGA ARTS CENTRE

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Presented by Bonnie Lee Galea

FRI 28 FEB, 2020 / 2.30pm – 3.45pm (no interval) STIRLING FRINGE (in the Pocket)

SAT 29 FEB, 2020 / 8pm – 9.45pm (with interval) TREASURY 1860, ADELAIDE (in the Courtyard)

SUN 1 MAR, 2020 / 12.45pm – 2pm (no interval) MURRAY BRIDGE FRINGE (in the TOWN HALL)

SAT 14 MAR, 2020 / 8pm – 9.45pm (with interval) TREASURY 1860, ADELAIDE (in the Courtyard)

To organise a live or phone interviews or photo shoots, or for more information please use CONTACT DETAILS BELOW:

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