

DISHIN' UP THE DIVAS



Luke Yankee

Did you ever wonder what it was like to be a part of showbiz history? You know, Ethel Merman teaching you how to make martinis while Paul Newman gave you acting tips. And then, fielding all those annoying telephone calls from reporters the night your Mom won the Oscar? Welcome to the world of Luke Yankee, son of Broadway and Hollywood actress Eileen Heckart. In DIVA DISH, his one-man show playing at _____ on _____ at _____ pm, that's exactly what you'll experience. This masterful performer and storyteller invites you into a world you've only dreamed about - full of showbiz gossip and behind-the-scenes tales of all your favorite celebrities. This multimedia theatrical event includes never-before seen photos of stars like Marilyn Monroe, Sophia Loren and Bob Fosse, rare video clips and scores of humorous stories.

Yankee, an actor and director who resides in Los Angeles, Palm Springs and New York, compiled DIVA DISH after his mother, Oscar, Tony, Emmy winner and Theatre Hall of Famer, Eileen Heckart passed away two years ago. "I realized I had this incredibly rich legacy of Broadway and Hollywood memorabilia and I had to do something with it," says Luke. "The only thing I love more than knowing all these stories is being able to share them."

In the first half of the evening, Luke "dishes" about the major divas in his life and his mother's – Marlene Dietrich, George Cukor, Marilyn Monroe, Ethel Merman, Lyndon B. Johnson, Bette Davis, and Ellen Degeneres – to name a few – accompanied by video clips, photographs and even a rare audio tape of Joan Crawford. In the second half, the audience shouts out names in the program as he rattles off hilarious anecdotes about Carol Channing, Paul Newman, Martha Stewart, Lucille Ball, Arthur Miller, Debbie Reynolds – and many more.

Luke Yankee has recently performed DIVA DISH at The Supper Club in New York City, the Los Angeles Theatre Center, for Celebrity Cruise Lines, at the William Inge Theatre Festival and at numerous venues on the west coast. He has upcoming bookings around the country next year and he is currently in negotiations for a book deal. Rex Reed says, "DIVA DISH is touching, hilarious and completely enthralling! Luke Yankee is such a marvelous storyteller that you'll want to hear the stories he tells again and again!"

DIVA DISH will be presented _____.
Ticket prices are \$_____. Reservations can be made by calling _____.

Come join us for this heartfelt and wonderfully entertaining evening. It's like a party with the biggest names from Broadway to Hollywood – and you're invited to hear the dish...the DIVA DISH!