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# JAMMINS' PRESENTS A MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT STARRING THE O'JAYS WITH SPECIAL GUEST THE TEMPTATIONS REIVEW FEAT. DENNIS EDWARDS

**The O'Jays** are still hitting the road with the same electrifying energy they've had for over 50 years. Their tour schedule aligns with **The Temptations Review** feat. Dennis Edwards for this special Mother's Day concert. A night of music connecting to an era and a sound that formed the soundtrack of several generations.

**MAY 14 \* 7PM** 

(doors & will call open at 6pm)

\$130 / \$104 / \$94

(priced by section)

Tickets for all sections on sale now through Ticketmaster and the Kings Theatre box office at 1027 Flatbush Avenue, M-Sat noon – 5:30pm. VIP options in the Wonder Lounge available through the Kings Theatre box office at <a href="mailto:boxoffice@kingstheatre.com">boxoffice@kingstheatre.com</a> or 718-856-KING(5464).

#### **About The O'Jays**

Walter Williams and Eddie Levert first met when they were the ages of 6 and 7 respectively. As teenagers in Canton, OH, they formed a the core of the band that in 1963 took the name The O'Jays in tribute to Cleveland radio disc jockey Eddie O'Jay. These core original lead singers continue to front the group.

The O'Jays scored their first number 1 and million-seller hit, *Backstabbers*, in 1972 through their work with producers & songwriters Gamble & Huff. Subsequently, they succeeded with various chart-topping pop and R&B singles including *Love Train, Put Your Hands Together, For the Love of Money, I Love Music, Darlin' Darlin' Baby (Sweet, Tender Love), <i>Livin' for the Weekend* and *Used Ta Be My Girl*. This success propelled The O'Jays to be the first black vocal group to perform in arenas throughout America during the 70s and 80s. It's been a long journey, but thanks to the fans, the LOVE TRAIN is still going strong!

Awards and achievements: Rock N Roll Hall of Fame inductees, class of 2005; Vocal Group Hall of Fame inductees, class of 2005; BET's Lifetime Achievement Award, 2009; The Official R&B Music Hall of Fame inductees, class of 2013; 10 Gold albums; 9 Platinum albums; 10 #1 hits

### **About The Temptations Review feat. Dennis Edwards**

The Temptations officially introduced Edwards on July 9, 1968 on stage in Valley Forge, PA. Edwards was the first new Temptation to enter the group after their "classic five" heyday, when he replaced David Ruffin as lead singer. With his rougher gospel-hewn vocals, Edwards led the group through its psychedelic, funk, and disco periods; two of the Temptations songs he appears on, "Cloud Nine" (1968) and "Papa Was a Rollin' Stone" (1972), won Grammy Awards. Edwards was the lead singer on many of The Temptations hits including "I Can't Get Next To You", "Ball of Confusion", "Psychedelic Shack" and "My Girl".

## **About the Kings Theatre**

The historic Kings Theatre reopened its doors in 2015 as one of New York's premiere performing arts venues. Providing a destination for large-scale popular entertainment and serving as a resource for local arts groups and community organizations, the City-owned Theatre is a cultural and economic cornerstone of the Flatbush community and a major fixture to Brooklyn's vibrant cultural landscape. The Kings Theatre was originally designed by Rapp & Rapp in 1929 and was one of the five Loew's 'Wonder Theatres' built in New York and New Jersey during that period. Featuring high curved ceilings, ornate plaster walls, wood paneling, and a glazed terra-cotta ornamental facade, the classic 20th-century movie palace was inspired by the French Renaissance Revival style of the Palace of Versailles and the Paris Opera House. Spearheaded by ACE Theatrical Group and designed by Martinez+Johnson Architecture, with Gilbane Building Company serving as construction manager, the redevelopment project both revives the historic structure's original splendor and transforms the Theatre into a state-of-the-art facility with over 3,000 seats—the largest of its kind in Brooklyn. The Theatre was recently selected as a recipient of the 2014 New York State Historic Preservation Award for excellence in preservation and revitalization, and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2012. Follow kingstheatrebklyn on Facebook / @kingsbklyn on Twitter & Instagram for announcements and updates!

#### **Directions and Parking**

The Kings Theatre is easily accessible via the MTA, LIRR and offers free parking. For information on parking and directions, click the link below: <a href="http://www.kingstheatre.com/info/parking-directions">http://www.kingstheatre.com/info/parking-directions</a>