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Crystal Gayle Comes Performs in Renfro Valley for First Time!

Renfro Valley Entertainment Center is very proud to welcome music icon Crystal Gayle to Renfro Valley's New Barn Theater on Saturday, October 1st for one show only at 7:00pm. This will be Crystal's very first time to ever perform at "Kentucky's Country Music Capital".

Crystal encapsulates everything the dazzling qualities of her name imply—although that name came to her in quite an unusual fashion. "Crystal" came at the suggestion of Brenda Gayle Webb's older sister, Loretta Lynn—who knowing there was already a 'Brenda Lee' currently successful in the music industry—suggested her younger sibling adopt the name 'Crystal' when she began recording.

Once re-named, her musical boundaries have since been seemingly limitless—as proven by her latest much anticipated project—"All My Tomorrows"—a mood influenced collection of American standards. Songs such as "Cry Me A River," "Sentimental Journey," "It Had To Be You," and "Smile" somehow reach the heights their songwriter's must have dreamed of when piped through the beautiful chords of Crystal Gayle. "These are songs any artist loves to sing," said Crystal in a recent interview. "They've endured to become timeless." Strange to think of anyone as young and vibrant as the artist in question as a "timeless classic" herself—but that indeed describes the course Crystal Gayle's career has taken.

In the mid '70's, Crystal was the focal point of her own one hour prime time special on CBS television—a special that earned the glowing praise of viewers and critics alike. Chic, hip, and cool with a romantic mane of hair that swept around her ankles, in one evening of television Crystal Gayle moved country music to the highest platform it had yet reached in the eyes of the viewing and listening nation.

The blue eyed beauty from the Appalachian coal mining town of Paintsville, Kentucky would never again linger in the shadow of being Loretta's baby sister. Drop dead beautiful and dressed in designer threads, Crystal took country

music to town on her arm in the '70's and introduced it to mainstream audiences.

But in the beginning...Country, folk, pop, rock 'n roll, Broadway show tunes, gospel...all found equal place in her heart, growing up as the youngest of eight children. Like sister Loretta Crystal too was a "coal miner's daughter" before she was a platinum selling singer and a world class entertainer.

"Don't It Make My Brown Eyes" opened the world's eyes to Crystal Gayle. She became a household name in homes, grand and small, from Louisville to Leningrad.

The glamour and the mystique of the Crystal Gayle phenomena made her an instantly "In demand" artist. From symphony halls to Carnegie Hall...from the best kept stages in Las Vegas to the prestige of the London Palladium...one word—"Crystal"—crossed musical genres and oceans.

Crystal globe hopped, and was seen in all the best camera lenses. Her CBS prime time special was followed by an equally groundbreaking HBO concert special viewed by millions. She appeared in Bob Hope's historic NBC-TV Special, "On The Road To China." She was seen hosting the "American Music Awards," the "Academy Of Country Music Awards," and her third network special, "A Crystal Christmas From Sweden." She swept through tours—and repeat tours—of the U.S., Japan, England, Canada, Ireland, Germany, Spain, Sweden, Finland, Holland, Australia and the Far East.

In the wake...her hit list of platinum and gold record sales was to be matched only by her awards and accolades. CMA's "Female Vocalist Of The Year," for two consecutive years, she became a Grammy Award Winner for "Best Female Vocal Performance," thanks to her beloved "Brown Eyes" – a song that she today admits she has never grown tired of singing. Crystal swept the Academy Of Country Music Awards for three of their "Top Female Vocalist" statuettes. As her music and her career path widened to mainstream audiences—so did her accolades. She is the recipient of three "American Music Awards" –voted by the nation as America's "Favorite Female Artist."

Breaking through the unusual genre boundaries faced by most artists has allowed Crystal Gayle a beautiful advantage: doing projects close to her heart—just for the sheer love of the music in question. One of the most meaningful was "Crystal Gayle Sings The Heart And Soul Of Hoagy Carmichael," a stunning, critically acclaimed collection of 15 of the great composer's favorite classics. "One of my personal career highlights was getting to meet and sing with Hoagy on a television special," Crystal recalls. Crystal not only breathed new life into the Carmichael classics, but produced a "must have" album of her career that included such immortals as "Stardust," and "Two Sleepy People."

Success swept around her as gracefully as her trademarked long hair. Her inspirational album, "Someday," was nominated for a Grammy. With the advent of the new millennium, Crystal recorded "In My Arms," an enduring collection of children's lullabies, The project was an outgrowth of her love for the littlest of listeners, and of her

visit to “Sesame Street” to sing with Big Bird to a new generation of music lovers.

Always gracious and generous with her time and talents, Crystal has been awarded the coveted “Celebration of Light Award” in recognition of her myriad humanitarian efforts—among them the Make-A-Wish Foundation (for whom she has recorded the official theme song) and the Arthritis Foundation, for whom she has served as telethon co-host for several years. Fittingly, the “Celebration of Light Award” was a presentation in Waterford Crystal.

One of the most fitting honors in her career came in 1999 when “Don’t It Make My Brown Eyes Blue” was recognized by ASCAP as one being one of the ten most performed songs of the 20th century.

At home in Nashville when not touring, Crystal continues to make the world a little more beautiful just by her presence. Her upscale boutique, “Crystal’s” is one of the cities premiere destinations for the most beautiful gifts and finest jewelry. Her two children— daughter Catherine and son Chris—and her husband-- Bill Gatzimos are her admitted heartbeat.

Like fine wine...time has been nothing but kind to Crystal Gayle

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