





# FACT SHEET

**PRESENTER:** Battle Stage Plays. Owned and operated by Playwright and journalist Ursula V. Battle

### NAME OF PRODUCTION:

"The Crown of Glory and The Agony of Deceit"

# TYPE OF PRODUCTION:

Gospel Stage Play

### **PERFORMANCE DATES:**

Sat., Oct. 27, 2012 (8 P.M.); Sun., Oct. 28, 2012 (3:30 & 7:30 P.M.) Sat., Nov 3, 2012; (8 P.M.) and Sun. Nov. 4, 2012(3:30 & 7:30 P.M.)

### **VENUE:**

Straus Auditorium, JCC (Jewish Community Center) 5700 Park Heights Ave. Balt., MD 21215

#### **OVERVIEW:**

*The Crown of Glory & The Agony of Deceit* is a modern day depiction of the biblical story of *Esther*. The biblical story can be found in *The Old Testament*, and is about a Persian queen who saves her Jewish people from being killed. *The Crown of Glory & The Agony of Deceit* is a sordid tale of Obsession, a tangled web of Lies and Deceit, a dangerous liaison of Greed and Envy, a Story Book Romance, and a Beautiful Queen's Destiny. The powerful production is filled with sidesplitting Comedy, thought-provoking Drama, and edge-of-your-seat Suspense. The play includes original songs Battle and some of the cast members wrote for the production.

**PERFORMERS:** (*Partial Listing*) Dravon James of HBO's *The Wire* ("Kleptopatra"); R&B Recording Artist "Big Owl" ("Admatha"); Cindy Willis, "Winner of the Travis Winkey 2012 Model of the Year Contest" (Contestant #7); Gospel rapper Chris Dillard a.k.a. "Red Dott"; Gospel singer Angela Quick ("The First Lady"); The Waxter Senior Center High Steppers; Baltimore School for the Arts graduate Morgan Camper as the beautiful "Queen Esther"; Rev. Medgar Reid, Pastor and Founder of Open Secret Community Church & Ministries ("Mordecai"); and Morgan State University professor Gerald Shockley, who is making his theatrical debut in the role of "King Xerxes".

#### TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are **\$30** in Advance; **\$35** at the Door; and **\$20** for Children/Students (18 & under with School ID). Discounted group rates are also available (10 or more). Reserved Seating tickets are **\$40. VIP Tickets** (Saturday shows only) are **\$55** and includes VIP Seating, a Wine and H'ordeuvres Reception, VIP Badge and a Souvenir Bag.

## GENERAL CONTACT AND MEDIA INQUIRY INFORMATION:

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