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**Starring — MICHAEL FIRESTONE**



# **MOONWALKER.®**

**THE Reflection of Michael**



***A LIVE TRIBUTE TO THE  
MUSIC, DANCE AND  
ARTISTRY THAT WAS  
MICHAEL JACKSON***

**Produced by: CLASSIQUE PRODUCTIONS, INC., Las Vegas, NV**



# MICHAEL FIRESTONE BIO



Michael Firestone was born in Rome, NY. Music played a large part in Michael's life, and no artist more so than Michael Jackson. In addition to being a songwriter, singer, dancers and musician having several "original" projects in progress, Firestone learned to imitate every move and vocal vibration of Michael. He performed Jackson's songs in shows throughout his adolescence. Once Firestone became an adult, he moved to Las Vegas and began a career impersonating the 'King of Pop.'

Prior to Michael Jackson's untimely death, Firestone has performed as a Michael Jackson tribute artist in live shows such as 'MTV Magic' and 'Around the World' in Asia. He also performed for 'Legends in Concert' in Myrtle Beach, 'LaCage' and 'Masquerade' in Atlantic City. Firestone also did guest appearances on 'Larry the Cable Guy's Christmas Spectacular' and the Asian variety show 'The Bon Show.'

Since Michael Jackson's tragic passing, Firestone has become one of the most respected and sought after Michael Jackson tribute artists in the USA performing at the following venues:

- \*Harrah's Carnival Court in Las Vegas, NV
- \*Harrah's Horseshoe Casino in Hammond, IN
- \*Harrah's Ak Chin Casino in Maricopa, AZ
- \*Harrah's Casino in Laughlin, NV
- \*Harrah's St Louis, MO
- \*Florida Marlins National Baseball Team
- \*MJ Festival, Dewey Beach, DE
- \*The Paragon Casino in Marksville, LA
- \*The Temple Theater in Meridian, MS
- \*Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn, WA
- \*Hooters Casino in Las Vegas, NV
- \*Fitzgerald's Casino in Tunica, MS
- \*Planet Hollywood in Las Vegas, NV
- \*The Tacoma Dome in Tacoma, WA
- \*Tokyo Baycourt in Tokyo, Japan
- \*Majestic Theaters in San Antonio & Dallas, TX
- \*The Grove in Anaheim, CA
- \*The California Theater in San Bernadino, CA
- \*The Riverside Theater in Milwaukee, WI
- \*Mizner Park in Boca Raton, FL
- \*The Paramount Theater in Austin, TX
- \*The Selena Auditorium in Corpus Cristi, TX
- \*Caesars Casino in the Poconos, PA
- \*Theater in the Bronx, NY
- \*Santa Ana Star Casino, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM
- \*The Playhouse Bowl, Banning, CA
- \*Stratosphere Casino in Las Vegas, NV
- \*McAllen Civic Center, McAllen, TX
- \*The Imperial Palace in Las Vegas, NV
- \*Mandalay Bay Casino in Las Vegas, NV
- \*Ritz Carlton in Denver, CO
- \*Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN
- \*and dozens of private and corporate events



Michael Firestone is one of only a few Michael Jackson Tribute artists that can sing live while mastering the intense dancing that Jackson was so famous for.

Firestone's goal is to accurately portray Michael Jackson from his 'he-he' right down to his moonwalk.



**JOHN & LINDA COLLINS**

Award Winning Show Producers, Linda & John Collins, Co-Owners of Classique Productions, Inc. began producing shows in northern California in 1991 & expanded operations into Las Vegas in 1996. Classique's first production, "Melodies and Memories" introduced the pair into the world of celebrity impersonations which led to major productions for casinos, corporate events, theaters & fairs throughout the USA & into foreign markets like a major tour of China & shows in Singapore, Mexico, Greece, Egypt, Japan, Canada & the Caribbean. The acclaimed "CELEBRITY REFLECTIONS", WINNER OF BEST SHOW OF THE YEAR, opened many doors & led to the creation of "MOONWALKER" THE Reflection of Michael

# PRODUCTION TEAM & CAST



**ERIC MARTIN**

Eric brings over 35 years of performances & directing experience to MOONWALKER. In college he majored in Musical Theater and Direction. As a performer, he has performed in over 30 musicals, nationwide, starring in Guys and Dolls, Grease, Baby, Sweeney Todd, Lil Abner, Cole, to name a few. He is also an award winning writer & director of several successful production shows. He is excited to lend his talent as a performer & his knowledge & experience to the direction & production team of

"MOONWALKER"  
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## MOONWALKER BAND

UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF LEVAR DILLARD AND ROHN SIMPSON, THE MOONWALKER BAND IS THE GEL THAT TIES THE SHOW TOGETHER AND BRINGS THE MUSIC ALIVE.



**STEVIE SAAM**

Stevie Saam aka Stevie Ray was born and raised in Waukegan Illinois a city just north of Chicago. Playing in the clubs around Chicago with a variety of bands Stevie made the move from Chicago to Las Vegas and continued playing with various groups that range from Reggae to Heavy Metal. He relocated to Arizona in 2002 to play in a Tribute show that featured Elvis, Madonna, Tina Turner, Temptations, and many more. Stevie says "Playing the Michael Jackson tribute show is a different but fun and exciting change for me."



**LEVAR DILLARD**

James Levar Dillard, (Levar) was born in Waukegan, Illinois & moved to Phoenix in 2002. Playing Keyboards since the age of 5, with education in music theory & jazz, Levar has been instrumental in assisting with our arrangements & musical direction. After a long engagement in a major nightly show featuring celebrity impersonators, Levar joined us from the beginning & is a major part of the "MOONWALKER" cast. His knowledge of Michael Jackson's music coupled with his leadership abilities have made him asset to the show.



**ROHN SIMPSON**

In addition to his music background, Rohn is a active pastor of Reborn Family Christian Center. Playing music since age 6, Rohn traveled with many different bands which has led him to be on stage with some of the biggest names in music. I've been blessed to have received 2 Grammy awards with the well known Mighty Clouds of Joy. Rohn started the group S.S.D. & has played in many venues including a major nightly casino production featuring celebrity impersonators.



**CHRIS STRONG**

Chris was born and raised in Phoenix, Arizona. 30 years old he's been playing drums as long as he can remember. He says "I have been blessed to be able to play for many great artists, Betty Nelson, Ira Stevenson, Donnie McClurkin, George Benson, Sister Sledge and many more. I also played in a major nightly musical tribute featuring celebrity impersonators." Chris is truly the beat behind the music and a great asset to "MOONWALKER" THE Reflection of Michael

## VOCAL TEAM CAPTAIN



**DIANE GORDON**

Lead vocalist for the trio girl group, A.S.A.P, who's 1st album, "Graduation" & 2nd LP "Boyfriends Girlfriends" sky rocketed to "GOLD" on the Japanese record charts & sold over 4 million albums. A valuable asset to "Moonwalker, the Michael Jackson Experience" as our Vocal Team Captain & a featured soloist, Diane's credits include performing with Wayne Brady at Carnegie Hall, performing with Christina Aguilera, Jessica Simpson, Res, Shanice Wilson, Peabo Bryson, Ali Woodson, George Clinton & Parliament Funkadelic, Celine Dion, Cher, Kelly Clarkson, Kelly Rowland, Coko & Jeffery Osborne, Diane Warren, Neil Young, Roger Troutman, Dr. Dre & Knoc Turn'al, Coolio, Kid Frost, Mark Wahlberg, James Taylor and Rick Springfield.

Diane's lead vocals were featured in the movies "Miss Congeniality 2", "Scary Movie 3", "Babe 2" & vocals cues for the television series, "Malcolm In The Middle", "Angel", "S.O.F. Survivor", "Fear Factor", "Bill Nye, The Science Guy", "Beverly Hills, 90210" & "Dangerous Minds". Diane was cast for on camera choir performances for TV shows, Glee, American Idol, Boston Public & was also a featured vocalist in the motion picture, "The Sweetest Thing".

DIANE GORDON with the real MICHAEL JACKSON and with JACKIE JACKSON and MARLON JACKSON



## MOONWALKER SINGERS



**CHARLIE CHARLES**



**YVINN ELPEDES**



## MOONWALKER DANCERS

OUR WONDERFUL DANCERS BRING EXCITEMENT, ENERGY, TALENT AND MAKE THE SHOW A TRUE MICHAEL JACKSON "EXPERIENCE". POPPING, LOCKING, HIP HOP, JAZZ, ACROBATES. ENJOY ALL THE DANCE STYLES THAT MADE MICHAEL JACKSON'S SHOWS A STANDOUT IN THE DANCE WORLD.



**DANCE CAPTAIN NICOLETTE WARFEL**



**CYMBERLY HONEYCUTT**



**CHOREOGRAPHER PRINCE MOFFETT**



**CHRISSEY HOLBROOK**



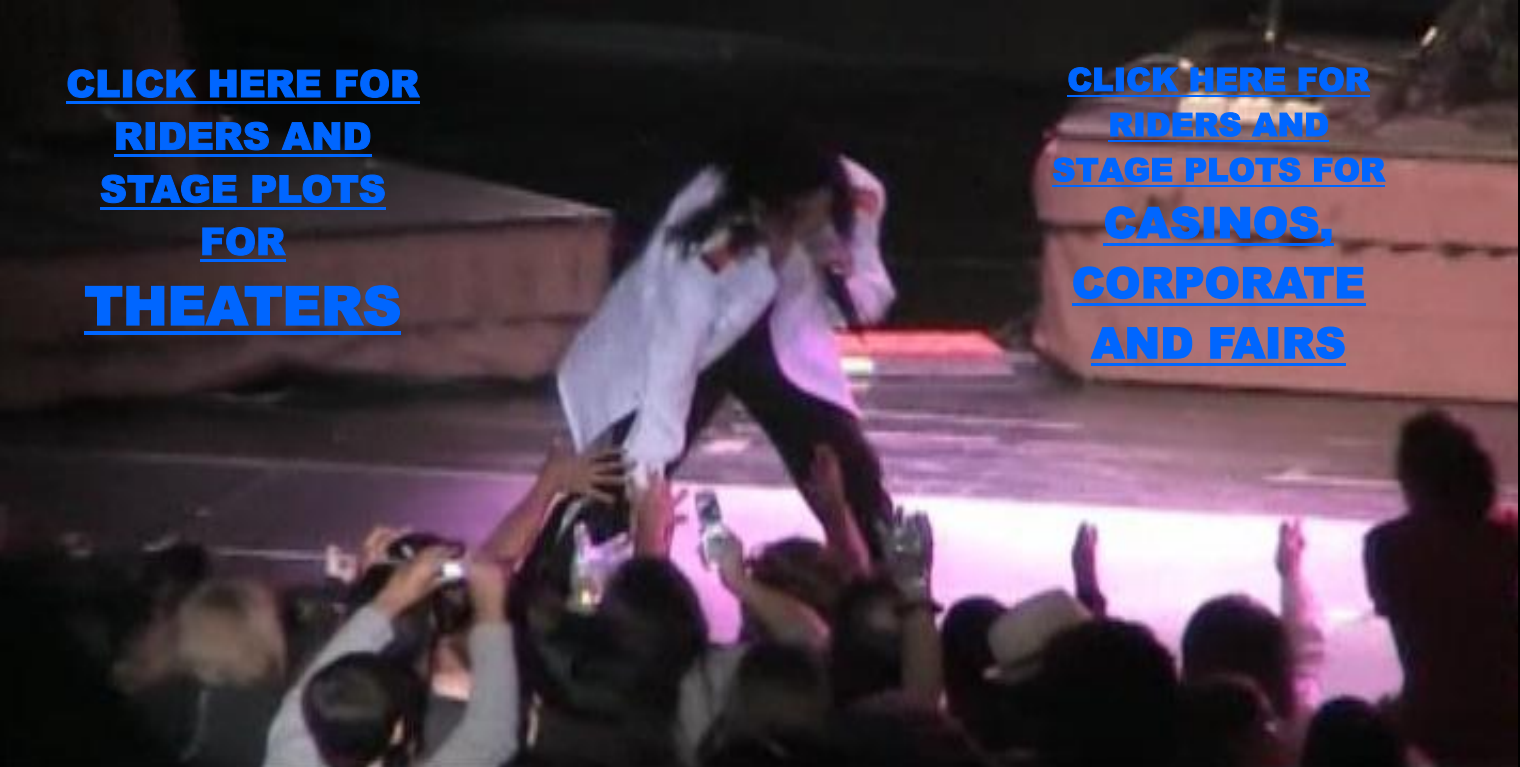
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