An Age for All to Rock:

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The cast of Rock of Ages is ready to perform on the Vanity Theater stage this weekend and next.

It's time to put on your denim jackets and leather jeans, rock that wicked hairstyle as you're transported back to the Sunset Strip à la '80s era as the Vanity Theater presents "Rock of Ages." Drew Boley (Jaden Hart) wants one thing in life. To leave behind his simple life as a bartender and pursue his dream as a rockstar, and things start to take a turn when he bumps into Sherrie Christian (Cimbria Bowling), who has dreams of her own. As their paths coincide, their journey of friendship, pursuing dreams, and romance unfolds, as well as the ever-changing music scene unfolding behind them with the arrival of two German investors, Hertz (Ethan Grant) and Franz (Cameron Tyo) Klinemann, who are bent on demolishing the Bourbon Room run by Dennis Dupree (Brian Swick), to get rid of the so called sex, drugs, and rock'n roll that is polluting the city to make room for new city development leading to clean efficient living.

As the story progresses, the audience will feel nostalgic for the classic rock songs from artists such as Poison, Styx, Bon Jovi, Journey, Foreigner, and much more. The set and costumes are sure to bring you back to the time of sex, drugs, freedom, all that can be found in the Reagan era. Furthermore, the newcomers and seasoned performers alike are sure to bring the personalities of the people living on the boulevard to life leading to a crazy and entertaining

performance. Directors Megan Birk and Dan Martin, as well as the actors and crew, have spent many rehearsals perfecting the choreography, scene and lighting work, as well as the music to help tell a story of hope, power, change, and longing of people fighting for what they want in life—something for all ages to resonate with.

The show runs for two weeks—Friday, July 31st-August 2nd, as well as August 7-9th. Performance times are 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday or 2:30 p.m. Sundays.

While Rock of Ages is packed with classic rock hits and comedy, it also contains mature language, adult humor, and mature themes. The production is intended for adult audiences and is not recommended for children.

Tickets can be found at: https://sugarcreekplayers.thundertix.com/events/255120.

ROCK OF AGES CAST & CREW

Co-Directors — Daniel Martin and Megan Birk

Producer — Jessica Fruits

Technical Director — Mike Melvin

Cast

Drew Boley — Jaden Hart

Sherrie Christian — Cimbria Bowling

Lonny Barnett — Dustin Gardner

Stacee Jaxx — Eli Reeves

Dennis Dupree — Brian Swick

Justice Charlier — Jennie Swick

Regina Koontz — Carrie Pool

Hertz Klinemann — Ethan Grant

Franz Klinemann — Cameron Tyo

Lonny's Lads — Seth Nunan and Peyton Suiter

Mayor — Mary Taylor

Sherrie's Mom/Constance Sack — Nicki Grider

Sherrie's Dad — Andy Plemons

Ja'Keith Gill — Brian Bone

Waitress #1/Band Lead Singer — Ginny Huff

Producer — Crew Cole and Kyle Ratliff

Joey Primo — Nathan Woosley

Stylist — Emma Plemons

Club DJ/Bartender — Josh Hampton

Protestors — Jordan Crull, Kayla Gardner, Alli Roche, Alexander Wray, Cider Wray

Riot Cop — Landon Birge

Ensemble — Madesyn Caldwell, Camden Crowder, Jackson Furgye, Gavin Henry, Miciah Maish, Erin McKinney, Russ McKinney, Elizabeth Nunan, Charlotte Powell, Courtney Ratliff, Abby Sayler, Ziza Sexton, Caden Tyo

Tech Team — Noah Arthur, Annalyse Brown, Zach Eads, Dee Osterhoudt, Walter Samuels, Katelyn Woolwine