



A Sadler's Wells Co-Production

Congas Productions presents

Havana Rakatan

2008 UK Tour

From Friday 21 March – Sunday 22 June 2008

www.havanarakatan.co.uk



"The Hottest, coolest, sexiest bunch of dancers in town" The Sunday Express
"Rip-roaring entertainment" Time Out

Following a smash-hit run at London's Peacock Theatre in 2007, the intoxicating rhythms of Cuban dance and music return for the first UK tour of Congas Production's **Havana Rakatan**.

From the sultry *rumba* to the slick footwork of the *cha-cha-cha*, 14 dancers perform a captivating and colourful display of Cuba's many vibrant dance forms. Set to live music by renowned Cuban-based *son* band *Turquino*, together with sensational vocalist Geydi Chapman, choreographer Nilda Guerra and her company present a stunning slice of life Havana-style, with all the passion and exuberance of a country famous for its rich music and dance heritage.

"A brilliant band and the dancer's energy is infectious" The Guardian

A Sadler's Wells production, **Havana Rakatan** demonstrates the wide range of Cuba's music and dance which stems from a fusion of Spanish culture and African spiritual beliefs. In this dazzling production, *flamenco*, *yoruba* and Afro-Haitian rhythms as well as *jazz*, *mambo* and *bolero*, give way to the modern forms of *salsa* which originated in the early twentieth century salon dances.

Touring The UK in spring 2008 including Glasgow, Brighton and Birmingham before returning to London's Peacock Theatre for a four week run in May.

Watch the video at: <http://www.havanarakatan.co.uk/havana-rakatan-video.asp>

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Fri 21 - Sat 29 March	Churchill Theatre Bromley	020 8460 6677
Tue 1 - Sat 5 April	New Wimbledon Theatre	0870 060 6646
Tue 8 - Sat 12 April	Kings Theatre Glasgow	0870 060 6648
Mon 14 - Wed 16 April	Brighton Dome	01273 709709
Thu 17 - Sun 20 April	Milton Keynes Theatre	0870 060 6652
Tue 22 - Sat 26 April	Regent Theatre, Stoke on Trent	0870 060 6649
Thu 1 - Sat 3 May	Birmingham Hippodrome	0870 730 1234
Thu 8 - Sat 10 May	The Lowry, Salford	0870 787 5780
Tue 13 - Sat 17 May	New Victoria Theatre Woking	0870 060 6645
Wed 21 May - Sun 22 June	The Peacock Theatre, London	0844 412 4322

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