



RON WINTER IN ASSOCIATION WITH AMARNA ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS

GLADY'S KNIGHT 'THE MIDNIGHT TRAIN TO LOVE - THE FAREWELL TOUR'

HOP ON BOARD THAT *MIDNIGHT TRAIN TO GEORGIA* AS MOTOWNS 'EMPRESS OF SOUL'
ANNOUNCES HER FINAL UK TOUR WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

LONDON, ENGLAND August 17, 2009 – **GLADYS KNIGHT**, the incomparable seven-time Grammy winning entertainer, will be embarking on the final UK tour of her career, it was announced today by **RON WINTER** and **AMARNA ENTERTAINMENT**, the tour's promoter. "GLADYS KNIGHT- *THE MIDNIGHT TRAIN TO LOVE - UK FAREWELL TOUR*" will kick off in Manchester October 6 and will travel to arenas across 7 cities in the UK with special surprise guests. This not to be missed tour will see Knight bring her one-of-a-kind Las Vegas show exclusively to the UK including her spectacular 19-piece live band.

"If I'm going to say goodbye to the UK, I want to do it properly" stated the world star. "It is one of my most special places to perform and I want to make sure that I give my all. I'm bringing my Vegas show to my UK fans and we're going to party – that, I can promise you!"

Born in Georgia, USA Knight made her solo singing debut at the age of four in an Atlanta Baptist church. In 1952, shortly after winning the grand prize on the televised Ted Mack Amateur Hour, eight-year old Gladys formed The Pips with her brother, sister and two cousins. With a young Gladys supplying the throaty vocals and The Pips providing impressive harmonies and graceful choreography, the group went on to achieve icon status, recording some of the most memorable songs of the '60's, '70s and '80s.

Very few singers over the last 50 years have matched Gladys Knight's unassailable artistry. Recording nine solo albums over the years and teaming with such artists as Stevie Wonder, Elton John, Dionne Warwick, Kenny Rogers and Patti LaBelle, Knight has topped the UK charts and enjoyed hits like "Every Beat of My Heart," "Letter Full of Tears," "I Heard It Through the Grapevine" and "If I Were Your Woman," set the stage for an amazing run in the mid-'70's.

Top 10 gold-certified singles such as "Neither One of Us (Wants to be the First to Say Goodbye)," "I Have Got to Use My Imagination," "Best Thing to Ever Happen to Me" and of course the No.1 smash-hit "Midnight Train to Georgia" established Gladys Knight and The Pips as the premier pop/R&B vocal ensemble in the world.

FULL 2009 UK FAREWELL TOUR SCHEDULE

6 th OCTOBER	MANCHESTER	MEN ARENA (0844 847 8000) www.men-arena.co.uk
8 th OCTOBER	LONDON	WEMBLEY ARENA (0844 8000 400) www.wembleyarena.co.uk
11 th OCTOBER	NOTTINGHAM	TRENT FM ARENA (08444 124 624) www.trentfmarenanottingham.com
13 TH OCTOBER	SHEFFIELD	SHEFFIELD ARENA (0844 815 0815) www.sheffieldarena.co.uk
15 TH OCTOBER	LIVERPOOL	ECHO ARENA (0114 256 5656) www.accliverpool.com
17 TH OCTOBER	CARDIFF	INTERNATIONAL ARENA (02920 224 488) www.livenation.co.uk
20 TH OCTOBER	ABERDEEN	AECC ARENA (08444 77 9000) www.aecc.co.uk

All tickets go on sale at **9am on Monday 17th August** and are priced at £40.00 and £50.00. Tickets are also available from Ticketmaster <http://www.ticketmaster.co.uk>. All tickets are subject to booking fee.

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