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by **Kathy**

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Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 5:39 am**

Last night Pam and I went to see Tamsin Carroll in Dusty the Concert. She starred with Deni Hines (daughter of Marcia Hines) who played the composite "Reno" in the Dusty Musical. Both women have great voices and Tamsin wore two "Dusty" outfits. One a short pink number with long drooping sleeves, and the other, the iconic silvery blue slinky long dress with the two purple stripes through it.

Here is the poster for it:

DUSTY THE CONCERT

STARRING FROM THE HIT MUSICAL
TAMSIN CARROLL & DENI HINES

A concert to celebrate Dusty Springfield's musical achievements, highlighting her hit songs and the impact they had around the world during the era of Black & White Soul.

'Dusty: the Original Pop Diva. The Musical', was an outstanding success nationwide in 2006. Grossing over \$20M at the box office and playing to close on 400,000 people across 253 shows. Tamsin Carroll took out "Best Female Actor in a Musical" at the 2006 Helpmann Awards, and Deni received a nomination for "Best Supporting Actress", in total the musical was nominated for 6 awards.

It's now been 4 years since the musical closed, and due to overwhelming public demand Tamsin & Deni are getting back together to celebrate and bring back to life the hits and memories of Dusty in a concert around Australia in 2010.

The show is a 2 hour spectacular by two of Australia's leading vocalists, performing together and solo, backed by an amazing band in authentic 60's costumes. And featuring fantastic backdrops to compliment the era and stage performance.

Dusty the concert will leave audiences wishin' and hopin' that the show will never end.

"Tamsin Carroll...a courageous and charismatic Dusty...her singing is deep and true...Deni Hines shines as Reno" - VARIETY

"the spellbinding Tamsin Carroll...gives the performance of a lifetime... Deni Hines is terrific" - DAILY TELEGRAPH

"strong-voiced Tamsin Carroll is outstanding as Dusty Springfield... Deni Hines adds Chutzpah" - SYDNEY MORNING HERALD

"the audience were on their feet cheering the instant the curtain came down" - THE AUSTRALIAN

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Kathy**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 5:46 am**

Tamsin and Deni were backed by some very good musicians who played various saxaphones and flutes, trumpet, organ/piano, guitar, base guitar, drums and a back up singer. Tamsin began by dedicating the show to the memory of Dusty and said that all of the songs the audience would hear had been sung by Dusty, some might be familiar and some not. A partial songlist included:

Can I get a Witness
You Don't Have to Say you Love Me
Heatwave
Ain't No Mountain High Enough
Dancing in the Streets
Mockingbird
I Aint Momma's little Girl No More
Son of a Preacher Man
You've Got a Friend
Spooky
The Look of Love
Going Back
Quiet Please There's a Lady on Stage

Re: Dusty the Concert


by **Kathy**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 5:58 am**

Perhaps the highlight of the show for me was when Tamsin sang Anyone Who Had a Heart 🌟. Not that it's my favourite Dusty number although I do like it very much, but because as Tamsin sang that number (beautifully), with her blond wig and the slinky dress with the purple stripe I felt "transported"---and it made me think that this was as close as I was ever going to get to hearing a performance of Dusty's. It was truly magical. ❤️

We had great seats and were very near the stage. I guess if I had any gripes, it was that I would have preferred more ballads and fewer "rowdy" renditions--but the audience loved it and there was a good percentage of younger patrons who really seemed to enjoy Dusty's music which was great to see.

As I had had quite an upset healthwise earlier in the day I completely forgot to take my camera 🙄 but sitting next to me was a lovely lady who during intermission, when she realised I knew about Dusty, was very interested and asked lots of questions about Dusty who she just loved. I gave her my email address and she promised to send some of the photos she took to me for posting on LTD which was very kind of her. When they arrive, I'll post them here. In return I promised I'd send her details of LTD's forum and website.

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In the meantime, here is a photo of Tamsin and Deni in street clothes!!

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Kathy**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 6:02 am**

This concludes all our gadding about!! Now it's back to the grindstone!

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Corinna**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 10:11 am**

Thanks for the report, Kathy! It's good to note Tamsin sang some of Dusty's "live" tunes also, songs she might not be primarily associated with. Did you think this was a good choice? Looking forward to photos!

I'm glad your health scare didn't prevent you from going to the concert.

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Cas19**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 12:06 pm**

That looks like a brilliant show Kathy, thank you for the report on it...lucky you! Not too keen on the song 'Anyone Who Had a Heart.' It reminds me of Cilla more than Dusty. How very kind of that lady, I hope she is true to her word and emails you some photos. It'll be great to see them
Casxxx

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **karen**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 12:16 pm**

So pleased you enjoyed yourselves, looking forward to more pics Kathy , now back to reality. 😊

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Kathy**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 12:30 pm**

Yes I hope the lady sends me her photos.

Cor, I think Tamsin and Deni were trying to extend people's understanding of the range of the songs Dusty sang. And from that point of view it worked well, but I would have loved to have heard ICMEACTT and AISIY and perhaps a few more ballads.

It would take quite a bit healthwise for me to miss such a great show--but I was shaken. Seems a diabetes pill I've been taking since last November has been poisoning me and has caused damage to my liver and kidneys!!! Now for a further round of tests over the next few weeks to see whether the damage is permanent (no wonder my blood pressure was so high!) 😞 😱

I'm glad I had the show to go to to cheer myself up 😊

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 1:05 pm**

thanks for this ,not the most interesting of songs I agree but I suppose they are trying to get the audience appreciation and its good to have the Martha Reeves stuff etc. I bet it

was a good tonic for you and better than some of the meds by the sound of it. hope they sort you out soon. I also hope the lady sends you some pics that would be good. 🤔

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **daydreamer**

Posted: **Sat Jul 31, 2010 1:27 pm**

Sounds like an excellent night out to finish off your gadding about Kathy! Both ladies are very talented and nice of them to dedicate the show to Dusty, without whom they wouldn't have a show 😊

Re: Dusty the Concert

by **Carole R.**

Posted: **Mon Aug 02, 2010 8:05 am**

Yep... Thanks for the report Kathy... 🤔

I agree that the mix of songs was probably meant to appeal to a mix of age ranges.

I wonder if the two ladies will bring their show over to the UK?

We can only wish. 😊

Hope that you're feeling better now.

It's very scary and unnerving when medication which is supposed to make us well, ends up making us ill!!

CR xx