

Panasonic Theatre

BROWN PRODUCTIONS LLC

presents



starring

SHAWN BARKER

written and directed by

KURT BROWN

The Man In Black is produced by
Brown Productions LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada

the show

CLOSE YOUR EYES AND IMAGINE THE UNIQUE SOUND OF JOHNNY CASH, AS IF IT WERE LIVE

and for the first time in the early 1960s. Now open your eyes and experience this great singer-songwriter recreated on stage in the hit musical tribute *The Man In Black: A Tribute to Johnny Cash*.

The Man In Black offers a retro look, sound and feel into the performance of American icon Johnny Cash. The show delivers the raw prowess that made Johnny Cash a 20th-century pop culture figure, while capturing his ability to cross musical genres, age and ethnic barriers to bring a classic sound that is immediately recognized. The show also features hits made famous with June Carter Cash and goes beyond the look of a younger Cash to feature his music right up until his death in September 2003.

Widely acclaimed by the general public and critics alike, the star of *The Man in Black*, Shawn Barker, is considered as the pre-eminent Johnny Cash tribute artist as well as an accomplished musician and singer-songwriter. Having an uncanny resemblance to the younger Cash, Barker’s portrayal is stunningly accurate and remarkably authentic.

the cast

Johnny Cash	SHAWN BARKER
Guitar.....	CARL PRÉVOST
Bass	YVES LABONTÉ
Drums	JÉRÔME CHÉNARD
Keyboard.....	GUILLAUME ROCHON
Vocalists	DARCY WOOD & KHAKI PIXLEY



The Man in Black has a running time of approximately 120 minutes including intermission.



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the songs

ACT I

1. Folsom Prison Blues
2. Big River
3. I Walk The Line
4. It Ain't Me Babe
5. I Got Stripes
6. Cry Cry Cry
7. Hey Porter
8. Rock Island Line
9. Get Rhythm
10. Don't Take Your Guns To Town
11. Blistered/Long Legged Guitar Pickin' Man
12. Ballad Of Ira Hayes
13. Boy Named Sue
14. Orange Blossom Special

ACT II

15. Ghost Riders In The Sky
16. One Piece At A Time
17. If I Were A Carpenter
18. Man In Black
19. Bird On A Wire
20. Rusty Cage
21. Sunday Morning Coming Down
22. Will The Circle Be Unbroken/
Daddy Sang Bass
23. Jackson
24. I've Been Everywhere
25. Hurt
26. Ring Of Fire
27. Encore
28. Johnny Yuma/Cocaine Blues



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SHAWN BARKER LIVES IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, AND HAILS

from the St. Louis, Missouri area. A former carpenter, Shawn started his musical career as an Elvis tribute artist. Although he drew success through his Elvis act, he soon realized that in a market saturated with Elvis acts, he could only go so far.

Auditioning for the part of Elvis in a Hollywood production of *Million Dollar Quartet* (the famed SUN Records recording artists Elvis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins and Jerry Lee Lewis) the director asked Shawn to also send video of him portraying the other characters in the script. Shawn did and was instantly cast as Johnny Cash. This started a one-year character study of Johnny Cash, his life, music, voice and stage presence. Shawn ended up turning down the role because of scheduling conflicts.

During this time, while performing in an all-Elvis tribute show, Shawn suggested to the producer that he throw a twist into the show and come out as Johnny Cash. The producer immediately recognized Shawn's calling in portraying the legendary Johnny Cash and cast him in an upcoming all-country tribute show.

So impressed by his performance, the producer then created and scripted a show for Shawn called *The Man In Black*, which is now drawing great success throughout North America, with shows performed and booked into numerous venues.

Shawn's portrayal offers the high energy and classic look of the late Johnny Cash. Although Shawn portrays the younger Johnny Cash, his repertoire covers the late singer's entire career, including duets Johnny Cash performed with the late June Carter.

Shawn plays guitar and harmonica and has toured Australia, Europe and North America in *The Man In Black* since 2005, as well as making special appearances in multi-act tributes. He had the opportunity to perform with W.S. "Fluke" Holland, Johnny Cash's drummer of 40 years.

Shawn currently has one CD of original music and three Johnny Cash tribute CDs.

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