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Access SF - LaQuita Music – Comcast

present

**"A Night of Blues" with Curtis Lawson & Friends
Celebrating 50 Years of Singing the Blues in the Bay Area**

**- LIVE FROM THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ART
& CULTURE COMPLEX (AAACC) -
BRINGING THE BLUES BACK TO THE WESTERN ADDITION!
762 Fulton Street @ Webster Street, San Francisco**

Saturday, September 1st, 2007 - 8:00PM - 1:00AM

- Access SF to provide 4-camera coverage of 90-minute show paying tribute to career of Bay Area blues musician Curtis Lawson spanning (5) decades.
- Program to be cablecast LIVE ON Access SF 2 -- COMCAST CABLE CHANNEL 76.
- Event at AAACC marks the official launch of the City & County of San Francisco's remaining CABLE TV UPSTREAM SITES, various City-owned locations around S.F. where the public, education and government access channels can go live on the Comcast cable system using remote production equipment.

(San Francisco - August 13, 2007) On Saturday, September 1st, 2007, Access SF, the City's public access television station, & LaQuita Music will jointly present "A Night of Blues" with Curtis Lawson & Friends - Celebrating 50 Years of Singing the Blues in the Bay Area. This special event will be held at the African American Art & Culture Complex (AAACC), located at 762 Fulton Street (at Webster) in San Francisco. It will serve as a tribute to the career of Mr. Lawson, who is widely regarded as a legend among San Francisco Bay Area Blues performers. 25+ renown Bay Area Blues singers and musicians are scheduled to appear as part of this unprecedented Bay Area Blues celebration that will span 50 years.

LAUNCH OF UPSTREAM SITES & REMOTE PRODUCTION:

Per the terms of the Comcast cable franchise, the Department of Telecommunications of the City & County of San Francisco has been working on the wiring of eleven community centers and public schools to serve as "upstream sites," remote points throughout S.F.'s neighborhoods that can go live on the City's public, education & government access channels. The AAACC has been designated one such site, and it will be the first location to host a live cablecast event with "A NIGHT OF BLUES." This is a first-of-its-kind event for local television in S.F. A 90-minute special presentation will be presented LIVE ON ACCESS SF 2 - COMCAST CABLE CHANNEL 76 from 8:00PM - 9:30PM.

Zane Blaney, Executive Director of Access SF, said, " A Night of Blues represents a historic breakthrough for local television content, and it is the first of much more to come in the way of community access coverage of local events." He added, "It is fitting for public access to launch this service in the Western Addition as the African American community in San Francisco has been such an integral part of the diverse voices on public access television over the years."

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CALENDAR LISTING INFORMATION:

Access SF & La Quita Music present
"A Night of Blues" with Curtis Lawson & Friends
Celebrating 50 Years of Singing the Blues in the Bay Area
Saturday, September 1, 2007
African American Art & Culture Complex
762 Fulton Street @ Webster Street, San Francisco
Doors Open at 7:30PM

Two Performances:

1st Show 8:00 - 9:30PM
Featuring Curtis Lawson & Guest Appearances by:

- Patricia Wilder
- SUMAC
- Tia Caroll
- Barbara Gainer
- Lady Memphis

9:30 - 10:30PM Intermission & Complimentary Buffet

2nd Show 10:30PM - 1:00AM

Featuring Curtis Lawson and Friends

TICKET SALES:

By Phone: 1-800-838-3006

Online: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/17985>

\$30 Advance - \$40 At the Door (Open Seating)

Free Parking

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ABOUT ACCESS SF / CABLE CHANNELS 29 & 76

Access SF is the dba of San Francisco Community Television Corporation (SFCTC), which has served as the City's designated nonprofit manager of public access television since 1999. Prior, SFCTC had built and managed Citywatch, the City's first government access channel launched in 1993. In April 2002, Access SF opened a 4,500 square foot facility located at 1720 Market Street where citizens and nonprofits are offered low-cost training in media and television, access to equipment and channel time, and access to facility resources. Cable Channel 29 is home to 300+ producer members who submit 150+ regular series for playback each month, totaling 4800+ hours of original local programming annually. Cable Channel 76 is home to a dynamic range of independent media & news programming, including Democracy Now!, Mosaic, & Free Speech TV, among others. Both channels reach into 217,000+ households across all neighborhoods in the City & County of San Francisco. The mission of Access SF is to strengthen the fabric of community life by enabling open communication through public access television and other forms of electronic media. Learn more about Access SF – Cable Channels 29 & 76 at <http://www.accessf.org>