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For Immediate Release

WHO: *The Racine Foundation and Voices in the Dark, Inc. present Sharon Martin as Billie Holiday*

WHAT: *“Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar & Grill” dinner theater musical production*

WHEN: *April 21 through May 21, 2017. Fridays & Saturdays 7 p.m.; Sundays 6 p.m.*

WHERE: *Pontchartrain Landing, 6001 France Road, New Orleans*

WHY: *Produced by the Racine Foundation, a Louisiana-based nonprofit organization that provides scholarships to the Delgado Community College/University of New Orleans degree program in Hospitality Management.*

“Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar & Grill”

Multitalented New Orleans chanteuse and all-around entertainer, Sharon Martin, will once again take on the iconic role of Billie Holiday and Norman Robinson as Emerson in Lanie Robinson’s stage musical production of *Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar and Grill*.

From April 21 through May 21, in The Pontchartrain Supper Club at Pontchartrain Landing, 6001 France Road, New Orleans, Martin will be reprising the role she sang to sellout audiences five years ago at The JuJu Bag Café under the direction of award-winning Producer/Director Ms. Tommye Myrick. Now, Back by Popular Demand, Martin and Myrick have teamed up again to present – in narrative and songs – the tragic and haunting story of

the pioneering jazz singer, Miss Billie Holiday, also known as “Lady Day.”

The performances are part of an optional dinner theater package that includes a high-end Dinner Buffet with selections of appetizers, side dishes, salads, entrée items, desserts and non-alcoholic beverages.

Show times are at 7:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 6:00 p.m. Sundays. Doors open for one hour before show times.

Previous Reviews:

“Martin’s re-creation of singer Billie Holiday’s voice – which can’t be easy to conjure – is eerie in this production ‘Strange Fruit’ is worth the price of admission.”

Alison Fensterstock, -The Times-Picayune

“She (Martin) was simultaneously charming and pitiful. She sang beautifully and she has an unusual timbre in her voice that suggests Billie’s distinct, haunting lilt.”

Dalt Wonk - Gambit Weekly

Located just 15-20 minutes from downtown New Orleans, Pontchartrain Landing is a newly gated marina, villa and RV resort that offers pleasure boat docking, a swimming pool, luxury casual living and dining.

Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar & Grill is produced by the Racine Foundation, sponsors of an annual fundraiser to help with the cost of providing scholarships to the Delgado Community College/University of New Orleans degree program in Hospitality Management. The profits on this event can support one student for a year with tuition and books.

Ticket prices - Dinner Theatre package \$50 per person; Show

only, \$30 per person, \$35.00 at the door.

For more information, group sales and reservations call Pontchartrain Landing at [\(504\) 286-8157](tel:5042868157) or emailinfo@racinefoundation.org.