

THEATRE RHINOCEROS

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2008 Theatre Rhino Benefit Gala with a very special appearance by "Noah's Arc" star DARRYL STEPHENS

| Benefit-Gala | |
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| Production Company: | Theatre Rhinoceros, John Fisher, Artistic Director |
| Title: | Theatre Rhinoceros 31 st Anniversary Season Benefit Gala |
| | With a very special live appearance by Noah's Arc star |
| | Darryl Stephens |
| Venue: | Levende Lounge |
| | 1710 Mission Street (@ Duboce Avenue) |
| | San Francisco, CA 94103 |
| When: | Tuesday, September 23: 6:00 – 10:00 PM |
| | ONE TIME ONLY! |
| Box Office: | (415) 861-5079; www.TheRhino.org |
| TIX: | \$100 all tickets; all proceeds benefit Theatre Rhinoceros |
| Press: | Visit our website at www.TheRhino.org or contact John Fisher, at |
| | (415) 552-4100, ext 104 |

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Due to injury Carol Channing will not be able to perform at our season benefit. We are pleased to announce that Darryl Stephens (Noah from Logo Channel's *Noah's Arc* and the up-coming feature film *Noah's Arc: Jumping the Broom* – in theatres October 24th) will be hosting our event. Darryl will also judge the finalists of the Carol Channing look alike contest (see reverse for details on how to enter.*) Fine food, stylish cocktails, sophisticated silent auction AND a performance from Ali Mafi, queer stand-up for our annual New Year's Eve Spectacular. Even though she can't attend, Carol Channing will make a special greeting to the Rhino crowd. It's a birthday bash you won't want to miss. Tickets are limited, so call the Rhino today!

Theatre Rhinoceros, America's longest running professional queer theatre, develops and produces works of theatre that enlighten, enrich, and explore both the ordinary and extraordinary aspects of our queer community.

*Project Channing: America's Next Top (Drag) Carol! Sunday, September 14: 6:30pm-9:30pm A Theatre Rhino Event @ Truck Bar 1900 Folsom St. @ 15th St.

Join us for a mini-fundraiser/beer bust for Theatre Rhinoceros at Truck. Carol Channing impersonators will compete for the chance to perform at our 31st Season Benefit Gala with a special appearance by Broadway Legend Carol Channing @ Levende Lounge on Tuesday, September 23rd. Carol herself will pick the winner from the 3 finalists on that night and award the prize. Come enjoy a great night of fabulous entertainment with MC Laurie Bushman, celebrity judges, raffles & more! Interested contestants should contact Rhino Board member Kim Larsen @ kim@gaypocketUSA.com for contest entry confirmation & details (please put Project Channing in the subject line!)