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“Singin’ in the Rain” Featured at Palmdale Playhouse’s Summer Classic Movie Series

PALMDALE – The Palmdale Playhouse, located at 38334 10th St. East in Palmdale, will present the 1952 musical “Singin’ in the Rain” as part of its Summer Classic Movie Series this Sunday, June 28.

Doors open 1 pm and the movies will begin at 2 pm. Tickets are \$5 all ages and includes complimentary beverage and dessert before each movie.

One of the best loved and celebrated musicals of all time, “Singin’ in the Rain” stars Gene Kelly, Donald O'Connor and Debbie Reynolds. According to AMC’s Filmsite Movie Review, “the plot of the film is actually an autobiography of Hollywood itself at the dawn of the talkies. The story is about a dashing, smug but romantic silent film star and swashbuckling matinee idol (Don Lockwood) and his glamorous blonde screen partner/diva (Lina Lamont) who are expected, by studio heads, to pretend to be romantically involved with each other. They are also pressured by the studio boss R.F. Simpson (Millard Mitchell) to change their silent romantic drama (*The Duelling Cavalier*) and make their first sound picture, renamed as the musical *The Dancing Cavalier*. There's one serious problem, however - the temperamental, narcissistic star has a shrill, screechy New York accent. The star's ex-song-and-dance partner (Cosmo) proposes to turn the doomed film into a musical, and suggests that Don's aspiring actress and ingénue dancer-girlfriend (Kathy Selden) dub in her singing voice behind the scenes for lip-synching Lina. The results of their scheming to expose the jealous Lina and put Kathy in a revealing limelight provide the film's expected happy resolution.”

Filmgoers will also enjoy the Playhouse’s new, state-of-the-art audio system, donated by the Warnack Foundation.

Other movies in the series include "Some Like it Hot" on July 12; "West Side Story" on July 19; "High Noon" on Aug. 16 and "Jailhouse Rock" on Aug. 23.

Tickets for all Palmdale Playhouse events may be purchased online at www.cityofpalmdale.org/playhouse, or at the Box Office beginning two hours before each show, 38334 10th St. East. For more information, please call 661/267-5684.

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