

Reason to believe tonight's the night!



MUSICAL

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Some guys have all the luck but the protagonist in the latest smash-hit West End musical comedy to stop off in the new city is not one of them.

Tonight's *The Night* is inspired by the songs of Rod Stewart and features 25 hit songs – including the signature 'Do Ya Think I'm Sexy', 'Hot Legs' and 'Tonight's The Night'.

The show tells the story of a shy young man named Stu.

He is so tongue-tied he cannot summon the courage to declare his love to the girl of his dreams.

Stu really couldn't be more different to his hero – the legendary rock 'n' roll maestro, Rod Stewart – but one night Stu agrees a trade-off with the Devil, exchanging his soul for Rod's.

In this all-singing, all-dancing celebration of all things Rod, Stu soon discovers that it's just not possible to find

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true, lasting love using another man's moves!

Singer and actress Jade Ewen, you may remember that she represented the UK at the 2009 Eurovision Song Contest but is best known as a member of Sugababes, and Michael McKell, from BBC One's daytime soap *Doctors*, are among the cast.

Tonight's *The Night* opens at MK Theatre on Monday and continues until Saturday, April 26. Sunday evening at the city theatre sees the return of internationally respected British singer/songwriter Paul Carrack.

He'll perform songs from his vast catalogue in an unmissable one-off show.

Call 0844 8717652 or visit www.atgtickets.com/miltonkeynes to book.

> There will be laughs

aplenty at The Stables this evening as stand-up Paul Chowdhry returns.

His initials may be PC but his gags certainly are not.

An exciting new artist will grace Stage 2 tonight – Ilona has flavours of Shania Twain and Kelly Clarkson.

Seize the chance to experience Elio Pace performing the Billy Joel Songbook on Saturday – or check out Yorksire-bred 20-somethings Holly Taymar and Chris Bilton with Boss Caine on Stage 2.

Tuesday brings Mud Morganfield with his charismatic Chicago blues and natural sense of showmanship.

Mud is blessed with a powerful voice and so too is Tuesday's Stage 2 artist-singer/songwriter and harpist Georgia Ruth will inspire with her haunting vocals.

More intoxicating songs of love and loss come courtesy of Krystle Warren on Wednesday – hers is an emotional intensity few can match.

Looking ahead Curved Air, with original band members Sonja Kristina and Florian Pilkington-Miksa, play next Friday. Tickets are £22.50

Derren's illusions continue...

DIRECT FROM WEST END

Having been watched by an estimated audience of over one million people, Derren Brown probably takes performing in his sixth show completely in his stride.

Nonetheless, audiences are universal in their praise for the multi-award winning acknowledged master of psychological illusion's latest smash-hit show, *Infamous*.

Continuing its run at Milton Keynes Theatre until

Saturday, *Infamous* demonstrates just why Derren is one of the world's most renowned live performers, known for incorporating magic, trickery, hypnosis, body language techniques and mind-reading to amaze and astound audience members.

Derren said: "It's been hugely rewarding to repeatedly hear audience members and critics say it's the best show yet."

Performances are not suitable for children under 12.

Call 0844871 7652 or visit



Derren Brown



Chance to catch Cherry's Drift

Bedford singer songwriter Cherry Lee Mewis launches her new album this weekend.

Her most personal album to date, *Catch My Drift* charts her own story, and you can hear more at Bedford Esquires on Good Friday, April 18, at 8pm.

Performing with her full

band, Max Milligan, Nick Slater, Robbie Stewart-Mathews and Brian Greene, the 5ft-nothing, powerhouse singer songwriter has grabbed the musical bull by the horns. Along with long time co-writer and guitarist Max Milligan, she has produced this 10-track, hair-raising

declaration of refreshing honesty.

This album takes in the best of musical influences while still keeping that elusive Cherry Lee Mewis treatment that gives the record a real punch.

> Visit www.bedfordesquires.co.uk

'Cracking' concert to begin Easter weekend celebrations

CITY CHURCH MUSIC

Sweet treats are to be expected this weekend so why not start off your Easter celebrations with some equally sweet sounds?

Cornerstone Chamber Choir and Orchestra (the choir and instrumentalists of the city church) will be pre-

senting an eggs-citing (see what we did there?) selection of tunes at their seasonal concert tomorrow at the church.

The inspiring evening is aptly titled 'Music For Good Friday'.

Talented performers will entertain from 7.30pm with traditional Good Friday music featuring great Passion-

tide settings by Vittoria, Tallis, Bach, Bruckner and Kelly.

Billed as a beautiful, reflective sequence, this promises to be an eggs-tremely good evening of entertainment, led by director Adrian Boynton.

The concert will last approximately one hour and 15 minutes and admission is free.

Visit <http://www.cornerstonechurch.org.uk>