

Kirsten Holly Smith, Star of Forever Dusty to Ring the NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell

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What:

Forever Dusty, a musical that tells the dramatic story of the legendary Dusty Springfield, will visit the NASDAQ MarketSite in Times Square.

In honor of the occasion, **Kirsten Holly Smith, star and co-writer of *Forever Dusty*** will ring the Opening Bell.

Where:

NASDAQ MarketSite — 4 Times Square — 43rd & Broadway — Broadcast Studio

When:

Friday, March 8, 2013 — 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ET

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Webcast:

A live webcast of the NASDAQ Opening Bell will be available at:
<http://www.nasdaq.com/about/marketsitetowervideo.asx>.

Photos:

To obtain a hi-resolution photograph of the Market Open, please go to http://www.nasdaq.com/reference/marketsite_events.stm and click on the market open of your choice.

About *Forever Dusty*:

Forever Dusty tells the dramatic, revealing story of how a shy Irish Catholic school girl from West London transformed herself into the voice of blue eyed soul, the face of Swinging London, and a worldwide superstar -- the legendary Dusty Springfield.

The provocative musical stars Kirsten Holly Smith in a tour de force performance, channelling the power and presence of Dusty in such memorable classics as Son of a Preacher Man, You Don't Have to Say You Love Me, The Look of Love, and many more.

Dusty Springfield was not only one of the greatest talents of her (or any) era, placing 19 records on the Billboard charts and many more in the UK, Australia and Europe, she was a woman of tremendous courage, blazing a trail for decades ahead of her. She remains to this day as one of the most influential, important female singers in pop history. Dusty fought and sacrificed to control her own career and her destiny, inspiring generations to follow in her footsteps.

Bursting with all the joy and sadness, laughter and tears of Dusty Springfield's remarkable life, *Forever Dusty* features can't miss performances of some of the greatest songs ever written, by such Hall of Fame composers as Burt Bacharach, Carole King, Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil -- and many more.

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