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From the creators of "It's Karate, Kid! The Musical"...

A different kind of HERO. A different type of MAN.



A musical with its own attitude.

Book and Lyrics by <u>TRAVIS KRAMER</u>
Music by <u>TOM OSTER</u> and <u>KEVIN SMITH KIRKWOOD</u>
Original Concept by <u>KEVIN SMITH KIRKWOOD</u> and <u>TRAVIS KRAMER</u>
Choreographed by <u>JENNIFER L. MUDGE</u>
Produced and Directed by <u>JAKE HIRZEL</u>

## 16 PERFORMANCES ONLY AT THE CLURMAN THEATRE ON THEATRE ROW, 410 WEST 42ND STREET

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
THROUGH SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2009;
OPENING NIGHT IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

## TICKETS ON SALE NOW AT TICKETCENTRAL.COM OR BY CALLING 212-279-4200

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This fall, the sexy, soulful new musical comedy **DIAL 'N' FOR NEGRESS** will have its world premiere engagement for 16 performances only -- <u>Thursday, September 10</u> through <u>Saturday, September 26, 2009</u> -- at the Clurman Theatre on Theatre Row (410 W. 42nd St., NYC). Opening Night is <u>Friday, September 11</u>.

Created by the team responsible for the 2005 NYIT Award winning musical comedy *It's Karate*, *Kid! The Musical* (Best Musical and Best Choreography), **DIAL 'N' FOR NEGRESS** features book and lyrics by **Travis Kramer**, music by **Tom Oster** and **Kevin Smith Kirkwood**, and is

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based on an original concept by **Kirkwood** and **Kramer**. The production is choreographed by **Jennifer L. Mudge**, and produced and directed by **Jake Hirzel**.

It's 1974 in Soulsville, USA. An apathetic community lives from fix-to-fix, and pimps, thugs and crooked cops rule the streets. Fresh from jail, the Negress arrives home and has to choose: turn away from the corrosive street life of Soulsville or accept his destiny as the unlikely hero of the community?

Outrageous, hilarious, inspiring and driven with kinetic song and dance, **DIAL 'N' FOR NEGRESS** features an original 16-song funk "blaxploitation" score, including "Pimp
Knowledge," "Break That Negress," "Dig It (Can You?)" and "Walk On (Ah'm a Negress Man)."

**DIAL 'N' FOR NEGRESS** stars **Kevin Smith Kirkwood** as the Negress. Complete casting will be announced soon. The production features scenic design by **Nick Francone**, costume design by **Sidney Shannon**, lighting design by **Bill Sheehan**, sound design by **Carl Casella** and props design by **Justin Joseffy**.

Tickets for **DIAL 'N' FOR NEGRESS** are \$19.25 (includes a \$1.25 facility fee) and are now available by calling TicketCentral.com at 212-279-4200, or by visiting the Theatre Row Box Office (410 W. 42nd St.). Box office hours are noon to 8 p.m. daily.

Visit **www.DialNForNegress.com** for updates and additional information.

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