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Rivertown's Castle Theatre to Re-Open as "Grown-up" Entertainment Destination

Comedian Jodi Borrello, who has toured the world from Las Vegas to Kuwait, is joining forces with promoter Louie Duet to re-open Rivertown's Castle Theatre. The theater, which formerly produced programming for children, will now be an "all grown-up" venue featuring national headlining comedians, music, plays and other theatrical productions.

Theater veteran Jason Kirkpatrick, who won The Big Easy, Storer Boon and Marquee awards for Best Supporting Actor in Insideout's Production of "Coyote on a Fence," has been hired as director of the 80-seat theater.

"The Castle Theatre is a venue that will invite all patrons to experience a night of Grade A entertainment for which ever show they attend," says Duet, who has produced shows at Harrah's Casino in New Orleans and other top entertainment spots throughout the country. Castle Theatre's lineup of shows, which will begin in March, include Becky Allen, Jodi Borrello, national headlining comedian Scott Kennedy, improv groups and a special production by Kirkpatrick. Castle Theatre will also host comedy classes taught by Borrello and acting classes taught by some of the most talented acting coaches in the area.

"Our goal is to promote not only a fun entertainment environment, but also a fun learning experience for those interested in pursuing comedy or acting," Borrello says.

Castle Theatre will celebrate its grand opening at 6pm on March 3rd. The public is invited to mingle with local celebrities and enjoy complimentary New Orleans cuisine, music and beverages while experiencing Castle Theatre's unique atmosphere, including its intimate theater space and enticing patio courtyard. Admission to the grand opening is also complimentary and open to the public.

"The Castle Theatre's reopening is an important part of Rivertown's rebirth," says Mayor Michael Yenni, "We are thrilled to have the opportunity to bring world-class comedy, music and live theater to Kenner and the entire New Orleans area."

The Castle Theatre, is located at 501 Williams Boulevard in Kenner's Rivertown. Tickets for upcoming events will be available at the grand opening on March 3rd or online at www.Castle501.com.

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