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**ERIN SULLIVAN RETURNS IN A SPECIAL ONE-WOMAN TRIBUTE  
PERFORMANCE TO ONE OF THE MOST ICONIC ROMANTIC INGENUES**

# **WITH LOVE, MARILYN**

**AT THE RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JUNE 1 & 2, 2018**

**April 1, 2018** – The Rio Grande Theatre once again welcomes actress Erin Sullivan as she presents her spectacular one-woman tribute to screen goddess Marilyn Monroe, *With Love, Marilyn*, Friday, June 1, 2018 at 6:30pm and Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 5:00pm. Reprising the role she originated on that very stage in Tony Award-winning playwright Mark Medoff's *Marilee And Baby Lamb: The Assassination Of An American Goddess*, Sullivan was inspired to continue her exploration of the glamorous icon by penning this playful and sensual musical journey along with co-writer Stephanie Rosenberg, weaving together stories of Monroe's life, her loves and her legacy. The result is an honest and at times heartbreaking homage to one of the most unforgettable figures of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Monroe seriously entertained the desire to perform live on stage again. After all, performing for the troops in Korea was one of the happiest times in her life, according to Monroe historian, Samantha McLaughlin ('All About Marilyn' Organization). In this intimate behind-the-scenes evening, we are transported back in time to that 'what if' dress rehearsal, as Marilyn prepares to entertain you. Audiences will fall in love all over again with Marilyn, watching Sullivan's tribute portrayal of the famed sex goddess you know and love, performing classic songs such as "I Wanna Be Loved By You," "My Heart Belongs To Daddy," and "Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friend," accompanied by a three-piece band with new orchestrated arrangements by one of Broadway's finest musical directors Henry Aronson ("Rock of Ages," "Tommy").

"Sullivan channels Monroe to deliver a performance of cheeky humor, sexy seduction and scintillating song," says Jacquelyn Claire of the New York Theater Guide. "She looks, speaks and moves like Marilyn and it's like going back in time." Richard Ridge of BroadwayWorld.com adds, "Erin Sullivan bubbles and sparkles like vintage champagne." *With Love, Marilyn* was conceived by Robin Milling and Erin Sullivan, written by Stephanie Rosenberg and Erin Sullivan and directed by Stephanie Rosenberg.

The Rio Grande Theatre is located at 211 N. Main Street, in Las Cruces. Doors open at 6 p.m. on June 1st and 4:30 p.m. June 2nd. Tickets are \$27.50 including fees and can be purchased online at [www.borderlandsfilmfestival.org](http://www.borderlandsfilmfestival.org) or by calling the Borderlands Film Festival office at 575-408-9026.