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**COMEDIENNE/ACTRESS SANDRA BERNHARD TO BE FEATURED AT THE UNICITY FESTIVAL LINEUP**

Unicity Performing Arts Festival scheduled to take place in Middletown, DE on August 2 2008 has just announced that Sandra Bernhard will be a featured performer at the first annual festival. For 25 years, Sandra Bernhard has been challenging fans and critics with her knife-edged humor, satire and emotive performances on film, television and stage.

Her critically acclaimed 1998, one-woman Broadway hit, "I'm Still Here...Damn It!" which played the Booth Theater, had critics raving. Created and conceived by Bernhard, the show first ran for five months off-Broadway at New York's Westbeth Theatre, where it garnered ecstatic reviews. The New York Times called Bernhard's performance: "An angst driven, foul-mouthed poison-laced joy ride that banks and careens frenetically through the worlds of fashion, celebrity, rock, and religion ... In her own voice, unfiltered, Bernhard is a living, breathing bonfire."

"Sandra is such a fearless entertainer. She represents all of the qualities that we revere and we are extremely excited to have her on board." says Michel Grey, UPAF's Talent Buyer. Since her first film accolades in 1983 in Martin Scorseses', "The King of Comedy" featuring Jerry Lewis and Robert De Niro, Bernhard has since appeared in numerous films including "Inside Monkey Zetterland," "Hudson Hawk" and more recently, "Dinner Rush." Throughout her career, Bernhard's formidable presence has also had a place on television. From 1991-1996, she portrayed Nancy on "Roseanne," and has had guest starring roles on "Ally McBeal," "Chicago Hope" and "Will & Grace." She has appeared on "Late Night with David Letterman," as well as "The Tonight Show," "Rosie O'Donnell" and "The View." She hosted the season premiere of "MadTV" and the Bravo network recently profiled her career. In 2001, Bernhard hosted her own talk show, "The Sandra Bernhard Experience" for A&E television. UPAF's, Festival Director Fred Munzert says, "Sandra's ability to engage so many circles of the entertainment industry into one career has given her a perspective on reality that keeps us all in blissful hysteria."

The festival will be the first of its kind in the area and feature some of the countries finest musical ensembles, bands, dance troupes and performance artists from all over the country. The festival is a collage of all types of performing artists from classical musicians to punk rock bands, featuring ballet dancers to street hip hop artists. Poets, actors, comedians, everything and anything goes. The event is a 12 hour fusion of nonstop performing artists, unbelievable food and drinks all leading up to shows featuring top national acts.

Unicity is currently seeking artist submissions for the festival. Submissions close on June 5th. Tickets go on sale for the festival on June 7th @ 10:00AM. Tickets for Sandra Bernhard and access to the festival are selling for \$35.00. You can find out more about Sandra by visiting [www.sandrabernhard.com](http://www.sandrabernhard.com) For ways to submit, ticket prices, options of how to get involved such as sponsorships and volunteering or to find out more information on Unicity please visit [www.unicityfestival.com](http://www.unicityfestival.com) or by emailing [info@unicityfestival.com](mailto:info@unicityfestival.com)

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