

A collage of five diverse people. At the top left is a blonde woman with long hair, smiling. Below her is a man with glasses and a beard, looking thoughtfully to the right. In the middle left is a man with a red t-shirt and a black baseball cap, looking forward. To his right is a man with a beard, glasses, and a patterned hat, looking to the right. In the foreground, a woman with dark hair and large hoop earrings is smiling, looking up and to the right. She is holding an acoustic guitar. The background features a white grid pattern with starburst highlights.

**ANNENBERG CENTER**  
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**12/13 Season** SEPT-JAN



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# Dianne Reeves Christmas Time is Here

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Saturday, December 1 @ 8 PM

Zellerbach Theatre

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## **Program**

*Set list will be announced from stage.*

*There will be an intermission.*

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## ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Dianne Reeves is the pre-eminent jazz vocalist in the world today. Her singing draws upon a world of influences; as a result of her virtuosity, improvisational gifts and unique R&B and jazz stylings, Reeves was awarded the Grammy® for Best Jazz Vocal Performance for her three last consecutive recordings—a Grammy® first in any vocal category.

Reeves has recorded with Daniel Barenboim and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and was a featured soloist with Sir Simon Rattle and the Berlin Philharmonic. She has also recorded and performed extensively with Wynton Marsalis and the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra.

In late 2002, Reeves worked with legendary producer Arif Mardin (Norah Jones, Aretha Franklin) on *A Little Moonlight*, an intimate collection of 10 standards featuring her touring trio. In late 2004, Dianne's first holiday recording *Christmas Time is Here* was released, about which Ben Ratliff of the *New York Times* stated "Ms. Reeves, a jazz singer of frequently astonishing skill, takes the assignment seriously; this is one of the best jazz Christmas CD's I've heard."

Reeves was the first singer to ever perform at the Walt Disney Concert Hall and was the first Creative Chair for Jazz for the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Reeves appears and performs in George Clooney's *Good Night, and Good Luck*, a highly praised film that chronicles Edward R. Murrow's challenge to Senator Joe McCarthy. A soundtrack has been released of Reeves performing the songs in the film as well as material inspired by the film. Look for Reeves in an upcoming PBS special on Billy Strayhorn—the composer of the Duke Ellington signature *Take the A Train*.

## PROGRAM NOTES

This evening, Reeves will focus on selections from *Christmas Time is Here*, a recording so musical and so completely pleasurable that it falls into that rare category of Christmas records—simply, a wonderful record. "I love the big gray sky hovering outside my kitchen window," says Reeves. "Inside, I'm cooking for about 30 people—which I love to do—listening to mellow music. It's the perfect time to sit back, relax and float through great music. Reeves adds, "The search for the songs for my record took longer than the recording itself." Well, sit back and relax, because tonight, Christmas time is... *here*.

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