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SBE'S THE ABBEY ANNOUNCES TWO NEW WEEKLY SUMMER EVENTS

West Hollywood, Calif. (May 9, 2008) – Just in time for Summer, West Hollywood mecca, The Abbey Food and Bar, will add a little spice and a lot of fun with a host of new entertaining and sensational weekly events. Candis Cayne, one the East Coast's most notable performers, brings her energetic hit one woman show, featuring dancing and improvisational comedy, to California and can be seen live every Monday night at The Abbey, starting May 26. Additionally, weekly, interactive karaoke, complete with surprise celebrity performers and first class production, will keep guests entertained all summer long. The Abbey is already well-known for its unique twist on comfort cuisine and signature cocktails, and these new events will create one of the city's most unique entertainment line-ups:

KARAOKE NIGHT

The Abbey puts a new twist on karaoke, where surprise celebrity and professional appearances are intermixed with contestants selected from amongst restaurant patrons. Performances from some of the brightest new stars of the hit musical *Wicked* and past contestants from "American Idol" are currently scheduled.

WHEN: Sunday nights
Beginning Sunday, May 11
9:00 pm

CANDIS CAYNE'S ONE WOMAN SHOW

The transgender star of ABC's "Dirty Sexy Money" is a triple threat incorporating song, dance and stand-up comedy, along with music provided by DJ Marco, into this unique and entertaining variety show.

WHEN: Monday nights
Beginning Monday, May 26
Shows at 9:30 pm and 11:30 pm

"The Abbey has a long history in the West Hollywood community and has always been known as the destination for excellent cocktails, great food and friendly service," Said David Cooley,

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President of The Abbey. "The Abbey is excited to provide weekly programming and, with karaoke and Candis' variety show, guests will now experience something completely new and unique."

Founded by Cooley more than 17 years ago, The Abbey Food and Bar started as a small coffeehouse and has now grown to become a West Hollywood mainstay and one of the most popular hotspots in the country. Its open-air ambiance, signature cocktails and truly relaxed elegance have made The Abbey a familiar favorite for locals, tourists and celebrities alike.

For more information on special events at The Abbey, please visit www.sbe.com/abbey or call (310) 855-9977.

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ABOUT THE ABBEY

Having started as a 1,100-square-foot start-up coffeehouse in 1991, The Abbey has since become a veritable West Hollywood icon known throughout the world for its welcoming, lively ambiance. It has grown organically through five expansions into its current 16,000-square-foot space, offering indoor and outdoor space and a variety of seating and dining areas for drinks and meals throughout the day and socializing. Voted "Best Bar of Los Angeles" and "Best Gay Bar" in both Zagat Guide and AOL CityGuide since 2005, SBE will be expanding the popular Abbey concept to select destinations nationwide in coming years.