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THE WARNER THEATRE PRESENTS:

AN EVENING OF COMEDY WITH Carl Yard and Joseph Anthony

TORRINGTON, CT – On Saturday, May 9 at 8pm, the Warner Theatre will host an evening of stand up comedy featuring Carl Yard and Joseph Anthony in the Nancy Marine Studio Theatre.

Carl Yard was born in the Barbados and immigrated to the United States. His life changed when he walked into a Boston comedy club called *Stitches*. In 1999, Carl was the opening act for Aretha Franklin on her New England tour. He has also been featured on HBO and Comedy Central, along with being a featured performer at the Montreal and Boston Comedy Festivals. Carl's Caribbean accent has become his comedy signature.

Joseph Anthony was a finalist on NBC's Last Comic Standing and is a frequent headliner at comedy clubs across the country. After studying acting, screen writing and filmmaking, Joseph stepped onto the stage at a New York comedy club and found the avenue for all three of his artistic passions. In 2005, he presented his one man, autobiographical stage performance, "Joseph Anthony Speaks the Truth", an "honest revealing of his life and his rise to present day successful, yet conflicted entertainer".

Tickets for this performance are \$25.

May include adult content, recommended 21 years of age or older to attend.

For more information on purchasing tickets, please contact the Warner Theatre Box Office at (860) 489-7180 or visit the Warner Theatre Online at www.warnertheatre.org.

About the Warner

Built by Warner Brothers Studios and opened in 1931 as a movie palace, the Warner Theatre was described then as "Connecticut's Most Beautiful Theatre." Damaged extensively in a flood, the Warner was slated for demolition in the early 1980s until the non-profit Northwest Connecticut Association for the Arts (NCAA) was founded and purchased the theatre. The Warner reopened as a performing arts center in 1983, and restoration of the lobbies and auditorium was completed in November 2002. Today, the Warner is in operation year-round with more than 160 performances and some 92,000 patrons passing through its doors each season. NCAA's mission is to preserve the Warner Theatre as an historic landmark, enhance its reputation as a center of artistic excellence and a focal point of community involvement, and satisfy the diverse cultural needs of the region. To learn more about the Warner Theatre, visit our website: www.warnertheatre.org.