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## **'Crazy For You' makes Warner Theatre Debut This Weekend!**

TORRINGTON, Conn. 68 Main St. (March 26, 2008) –The Warner Stage Company continues its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season with the **Tony Award-winning** Gershwin musical comedy hit **CRAZY FOR YOU** running May 3-10.

Based on the George and Ira Gershwin classic Warner Brothers movie **GIRL CRAZY, CRAZY FOR YOU** is the story of Bobby Child, a well-to-do 1930's playboy, who dreams of becoming an entertainer. Despite the serious efforts of his mother and soon-to-be-ex-fiancee, Bobby achieves his dream and along the way falls in love and saves a town! Memorable Gershwin tunes include *I Can't Be Bothered Now, Bidin' My Time, I Got Rhythm, Naughty Baby, They Can't Take That Away from Me, But Not for Me, Nice Work if You Can Get It, Embraceable You* and *Someone to Watch Over Me*. It's a high energy comedy which includes mistaken identity, plot twists, fabulous dance numbers and classic Gershwin music.

In his review of the original 1992 Broadway production, **New York Times** theatre critic Frank Rich enthused, "When future historians try to find the exact moment at which Broadway finally rose up to grab the musical back from the British, they just may conclude that the revolution began last night. The shot was fired at the Shubert Theater, where a riotously entertaining show called **CRAZY FOR YOU** uncorked the American musical's classic blend of music, laughter, dancing, sentiment and showmanship with a freshness and confidence rarely seen during the **CATS** decade . . . Crazy for You scrapes away decades of cabaret and jazz and variety-show interpretations to reclaim the Gershwins' standards, in all their glorious youth, for

the dynamism of the stage.”

The Warner's production of **CRAZY FOR YOU** is directed by **Jim Smith** with musical direction by **Dan Ringuette** and choreography by **Shiela Waters-Fucci**.

The show runs at the Warner Theatre on Saturday, May 3 & 10 at 8pm; Sunday, May 4 at 2pm; and Friday, May 9 at 8pm. Tickets are \$18.50, \$21.50, \$24.50.

For information, please call or visit the Warner Theatre Box Office at (860) 489-7180 or purchase tickets online at [warnertheatre.org](http://warnertheatre.org). Group Discounts are available for all Warner Main Stage Musicals.

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## **About the Warner Theatre**

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 more than 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](http://www.warnertheatre.org).