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STRAIGHT FROM THE SEDUCTIVE CABARET HAUNTS OF PARIS

CAROLINE NIN - HYMNE A PIAF (FRANCE)

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"Nin ... a spine tingling, tear-jerking revelation" – TIME OUT, London

"Nin is a classic femme fatale... a taste of intimacy with one of music's true dark angels." - The Guardian, London

French-born cabaret star, Caroline Nin brings her soulful homage *Hyme a Piaf* from the Champs Elysees to the 2013 Castlemaine State Festival.

Coinciding with the 50th anniversary of Edith Piaf's death, Nin has created a performance to honour Piaf's music and her tragic but extraordinary life. Fans of Piaf know there is more to 'the little sparrow' than the famous "Non, je ne regretted rien" – and here Nin gives audiences the chance to hear much more of her oeuvre.

Nin's frank and tender bi-lingual tribute to France's most famous chanteuse sends shivers down the spine as she breathes new life into familiar anthems. This Piaf tribute is not an impersonation, but an evocative homage by a fellow Parisian chanteuse.

Caroline Nin made her debut in the late 80s at the Hollywood Savoy, a swing and jazz venue in Paris where she quickly attracted attention with her interpretations of Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday and Sarah Vaughan songs. A classic femme fatale with charm and intrigue, Nin has a captivatingly rich voice and a large musical repertoire that reaches from Piaf to Minnelli, Bassey to Brel and includes her own compositions.

A finalist in the 2011 Helpmann Awards for Best Cabaret Performer, Caroline is currently the lead singer at the famous French nightclub *Paris Lido* on the Champs Elysees, where her predecessors included the likes of Piaf herself, Judy Garland, Bette Midler, Shirley Maclaine, Josephine Baker and Noel Coward.

DETAILS

ONE SHOW ONLY

Date & Times: Thursday 21 March, 8pm

Venue: Castlemaine Town Hall, 25 Lyttleton St, Castlemaine

Admission: \$45 / \$40