



## NEWS: DIONNE WARWICK, MARY WILSON AND MORE TO HEAD OUT ON UK LEGENDS LIVE TOUR

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(UK) Tony Denton Promotions are proud to announce the Legends Live Tour 2015, this unique tour brings together the cream of international soul acts on one stage for the very first time. Dionne Warwick, Roberta Flack, The Drifters & Mary Wilson of The Supremes will perform at three arenas in the UK this autumn starting at; London The SSE Arena Wembley on Saturday 3rd October moving on to Birmingham's Barclaycard arena the following day and culminating on Tuesday 6th October at the Manchester Arena.

**DIONNE WARWICK:** The multi-Grammy award winning US artist is simply an international music legend. She has sold over 100 million records worldwide. Dionne began singing professionally in 1961 after being discovered by a young songwriting team, Burt Bacharach and Hal David who penned her first US hit 'Don't Make Me Over'. Other classic Bacharach/David recordings include 'Walk on By', 'Anyone Who Had a Heart' and the theme from 'The Valley of the Dolls'. She received her first Grammy Award in 1968 for 'Do You Know the Way to San Jose?' and a second Grammy Award in 1970 for the best-selling album, 'I'll Never Fall in Love Again'. Label-mate Barry Manilow produced her first Platinum-selling album, 'Dionne', which included the singles 'I'll Never Love This Way Again' and 'Déjà Vu'. Both recordings earned Grammy Awards, making Ms. Warwick the first female artist to win the Best Female Pop and Best Female R&B Performance awards. Her album, 'Heartbreaker', co-produced by Barry Gibb and the Bee Gees, became an international chart-topper – the single of the same name was also a huge hit. In 1985, she reunited with producer Burt Bacharach and longtime friends Gladys Knight, Stevie Wonder and Elton John to record the landmark song 'That's What Friends Are For', which became a No 1 hit around the world and the first recording dedicated to raising awareness and major funds for the AIDS cause, which she continues to support. Dionne has collaborated with many of her musical peers, including; Johnny Mathis, Smokey Robinson, Luther Vandross, Jeffrey Osborne and Stevie Wonder.

ROBERTA FLACK – Internationally hailed as one of the greatest songstresses of our time, Grammy Award winning Roberta Flack remains unparalleled in her ability to tell a story through her music. Her songs bring insight into our lives, loves, culture and politics, while effortlessly traversing a broad musical landscape from pop to soul to folk to jazz. Flack was the first to win the Grammy Award for Record of the Year two consecutive times. 'The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face' won at the 1973 Grammys and 'Killing Me Softly with His Song' won at the 1974 Grammys. She remains the only solo artist to have accomplished this feat. She discovered her earliest musical influences from the church after hearing gospel luminaries like Sam Cooke first hand, and then later in the famous nightclub on Mr Henry's on Capitol Hill where the owners constructed an upstairs performance area especially for her with church pew seating! People like Burt Bacharach, Woody Allen and Johnny Mathis were in regular attendance, and one night she even found herself performing with Liberace! Hit singles include 'The Closer I Get To You', 'Where Is The Love' and 'Back Together Again' all with Donny Hathaway alongside the Top 10 UK hits 'Tonight I Celebrate My Love' with Peabo Bryson, 'Feel Like Making Love' and 'Killing Me Softly With His Song'. Roberta, now has a coveted star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame, remains a shining inspiration to her fans, peers and younger musicians in the music industry having appeared with artists like Alicia Keyes, India Arie and Angie Stone.

THE DRIFTERS: have seen massive chart success on both sides of the Atlantic and across the world with a vast catalogue of hits since they formed in 1953. Their many hits include; 'Save The Last Dance For Me', 'Saturday Night At The Movies', 'Come On Over To My Place', 'Like Sister & Brother', 'Kissin' In The Back Row Of The Movies', 'Down On The Beach Tonight', 'There Goes My First Love', 'Under The Boardwalk', 'Can I Take You Home Little Girl' and 'You're More Than A Number In My Little Red Book'. They have also been inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in recognition of their global success spanning almost six decades.

MARY WILSON OF THE SUPREMES: Mary Wilson is one third of the most successful female singing group in recording history alongside Diana Ross and Flo Ballard. The Motown legendary group was one of the most influential and memorable groups of all time, with many huge hits that include; 'Baby Love', 'Where Did Our Love Go', 'Nathan Jones', 'You Can't Hurry Love', 'You Keep Me Hanging On', 'The Happening', 'Stoned Love', 'Love Child', 'Reflections', 'Some Day We'll Be Together', 'Come See About Me', 'Stop in the Name of Love' and 'Back In My Arms Again'. As testimony to the success of the Supremes, Mary shared the stage with Mick Jagger, Ringo Starr, and George Harrison when the Supremes were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. The Supremes were also given their own exhibit for the museum opening in Cleveland, Ohio and were honored with their star on the prestigious Hollywood Walk of Fame. Wilson is also a bestselling author with her autobiography, 'Dreamgirl... My Life As A Supreme' which is one of the most successful rock and roll autobiographies of all time.

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