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GALVESTON'S GRAND 1894 OPERA HOUSE TO PRESENT COMIC JACKIE MASON, OCTOBER 17

Widely regarded as one of the greatest stand-up comics of all time, don't miss the fun as Jackie Mason makes a one-performance-only appearance at The Grand 1894 Opera House in Galveston on Sunday, October 17 at 3 p.m. Combining pungent political satire, insightful observations on the foibles of modern life and impeccable timing, Jackie Mason creates material that leaves audiences laughing until they cry and critics raving show after show.

From humble comic beginnings in New York, the Borscht Belt, and comedy clubs around the country, Jackie Mason rose to be one the hottest comics in America, reaching the apex of American entertainment culture when he became a regular performer on the television variety program, "The Ed Sullivan Show."

Mr. Mason originated his one-man show, *The World According to Me* in Los Angeles to wide acclaim followed by an unprecedented two and a half year run on Broadway, winning triumphant reviews and establishing Mason as one of the nation's premier comics. The show earned Jackie Mason a Tony Award, an Outer Critics Circle Award, an Ace Award, an Emmy Award, and a Grammy nomination, and it toured successfully in America and Europe for two years.

Mason returned to Broadway in 1990 with *Jackie Mason: Brand New*; in 1994 with *Jackie Mason: Politically Incorrect*; in 1996 with *Love Thy Neighbor*; in 1999 with *Much Ado about Everything*; and in 2002 with *Prune*

Danish. He garnered consistent commercial success and collected an impressive array of nominations and awards including an Emmy and an Ace award for the HBO special, *Jackie Mason on Broadway* and his latest show *Freshly Squeezed* which opened in 2005 is still touring the world.

Jackie Mason has appeared in a variety of films and television shows, most notably the movie *Caddyshack II* and the TV sitcom, *Chicken Soup*.

Don't miss the laughter at The Grand as Mason turns his "inner critic" mining the comedy in just about everything – including sports stars, politics, terrorism, cyberspace, Jews, Gentiles, fast food, and Beverly Hills!

Ticket prices range from \$20.00-\$65.00. Call for pricing on Box Seats. Special discounts for group and senior tickets may be available. For information about this and other performances scheduled, contact The Grand's box office at 409.765.1894, 800.821.1894, or visit The Grand's website at www.thegrand.com. The theatre is located at 2020 Postoffice Street, in historic downtown Galveston. The Grand 1894 Opera House is recognized as "The Official Opera House of the State of Texas." All major credit cards accepted.