She's wild. She's wicked. She's wonderful. She's Australian superstar and international entertainment phenomenon **Dame Edna**. This fabulous star of stage, television and screen has dazzled audiences the world over with her unique brand of interactive humor.

Dame Edna will share her infinite wisdom and beauty tips with her adoring possums so they can experience "my hands-on magic for yourself and for your wives, children, significant others and same sex partners. I sing, dance, tour the stage and trawl the auditorium." Dame Edna will also be doing a little bit of gentle probing, and she questions, "who could possibly complain about that?"

Blessed at birth with natural wisteria hair, Dame Edna is a housewife, megastar, investigative journalist, social anthropologist, talk show host, children's book illustrator, chanteuse, swami, advisor to British Royalty, spin doctor and icon. She has performed her shows successfully in London's West End, Australia and beyond. Her previous stage shows include *Housewife Superstar* and *A Night with Dame Edna*. Television credits include two critically acclaimed UK specials, "An Audience with Dame Edna" and "Another Audience with Dame Edna." She has been a popular guest on numerous U.S. television shows hosted by Jay Leno, Johnny Carson, Joan Rivers, Rosie O'Donnell, and Roseanne and recently appeared on "60 Minutes II." She has also hosted two innovative talk shows of her own, including "The Dame Edna Experience," where guests have included Jane Fonda, Liza Minnelli, Sean Connery and Mel Gibson.

Most recently, **Dame Edna: The Royal Tour** received a Special Tony Award for a Live Theatrical Event, as well as a Drama Desk Award and an Outer Critics Circle Special Achievement Award. Dame Edna won the Golden Rose of Montreux in 1991, Europe's foremost TV Entertainment Award for her television special "A Night on Mount Edna." Other notable awards include first prize at the San Francisco International Film Festival, a Gold Award at the New York Film and TV Festival, and a British Academy Award Nomination for "The Dame Edna Experience." Her books include <u>Dame Edna's Coffee Table Book</u>, <u>Dame Edna's Bedside</u> <u>Companion</u>, and her seminal autobiography, <u>My Gorgeous Life</u>, which has been translated into many languages and which has, on government orders, been placed in hotel bedrooms throughout Britain and Australia. **Dame Edna: The Royal Tour** is presented by Producers Leonard Soloway, Chase Mishkin, Steven M. Levy and Jonathan Reinis. This very glamorous show has scenic design by Kenneth Foy, costume design by Stephen Adnitt, lighting design by Jason Kantrowitz, sound design by Peter Fitzgerald, as well as accompaniment from "The Fingers on the Keyboards" and dancing by two "gorgeous Ednaettes." Dame Edna opened on Broadway October 17, 1999 and closed July 2, 2000 to get ready for her North American tour.

Visit the Dame Edna web sites by logging on to <u>http://www.Dame-Edna.com</u> and <u>http://www.DameEdnaOnTour.com</u>