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**CAROL WOODS RETURNS TO BROADWAY'S "CHICAGO" JUNE 2 – AUGUST 31, 2008, AND
"CAROL WOODS SINGS BLUES IN THE NIGHT" TO BE RELEASED THIS SUMMER**



New York, NY, May 30, 2008 – On **Tuesday, June 2, 2008**, Broadway's razzle-dazzle hit musical "**Chicago**" will once again welcome legendary actress and recording artist **Carol Woods** as Matron "Mama" Morton for a 13-week engagement through Sunday, August 31 at Broadway's Ambassador Theatre (219 West 49th Street).

"Being back with my friends and family at "**Chicago**" this summer is a joy," says **Woods**, who has received critical acclaim on Broadway, the US National Tour, and in Tokyo, Japan for her performance as "Mama." Embellishing her lyrics in the musical, **Woods** laughs, "Broadway audiences and the CHICAGO company have been good to Mama, and Mama's gonna be good to them!"

In 2007, **Carol Woods** was lauded for her performance in **Julie Taymor's** movie "**Across the Universe**," singing a powerful gospel rendition of the Beatles' classic "**Let It Be**". **Woods** was honored to reprise her performance at the **2008 Grammy® Awards** in Los Angeles in connection with the soundtrack's nomination. This year, **Woods** appears with the great **Ruby Dee** in the forthcoming feature

film "**Steam**."

Carol Woods' Broadway performances include "**Grind**," "**The Full Monty**," "**One Mo' Time**," "**Follies**," and "**Smokey Joe's Café**." In London, **Woods** starred in "**Blues in the Night**" (earning an Olivier Award nomination) and at the Royal National Theatre as the title character in "**Ma Rainey's Black Bottom**." In 2007, **Woods** starred in the San Francisco revival of "**Blues In The Night**," directed by original creator and director **Sheldon Epps**. For her performance, **Woods** received the "Best Actress in a Musical" award from the Bay Area Critics Circle.

Carol Woods' motion picture credits include "**Sweet and Lowdown**," "**The Honeymooners**" and "**Stepping Out**." Her television appearances include a special episode of "**The Practice**" created by David E. Kelley, "**Third Watch**," "**Law & Order**" and a series regular spot on "**The Parent Hood**."

This summer, **Woods'** new CD, **CAROL WOODS SINGS "BLUES IN THE NIGHT"**, co-produced by **Ron Coleman**, is being released. "For years, fans and audiences have wanted a new recording of "Blues InThe Night," which features 'Lover Man,' 'Wasted Life Blues,' and other classics," says **Woods**. "Recording the album was uplifting and I'm excited that my new generation of fans will hear these classic songs."

For more information on "**Chicago**," the new CD, **Carol Woods'** appearances, press ready photography and artwork, visit www.CarolWoodsOnline.com.

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