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Tina Turner, Rod Stewart In Concert on PBS 45 & 49

KENT, Ohio — Wednesday, March 2, 2005 — Specials featuring Tina Turner and Rod Stewart highlight a star-studded lineup of musical shows that will air in March on PBS 45 & 49.

Tina Turner, the indestructible original voice of soul music, celebrates her 60th birthday with Tina Turner: Celebrate the Best of Tina Turner on Sunday, March 6 at 9 p.m. The special, recorded in London in 1999, features memorable songs from her career in both live performance and archival clips. Turner’s friends and fans, including Cher, Sting and Al Green, offer commentary on her life and legacy.

On Tuesday, March 8 at 9:30 p.m., Great Performances presents One Night With Rod Stewart, recorded before a packed house at London’s famed Royal Albert Hall in October 2004. The special presents the recent Grammy winner in an electrifying evening of his greatest hits and newfound “Great American Songbook” classics.

Hosted Dame Edna Everage, the outing features Stewart’s special guests Chrissie Hynde of the Pretenders and Ron Wood of the Rolling Stones (and former Faces band member). Also on hand are the 60-piece BBC Concert Orchestra, the London Community Gospel Choir and Stewart’s own back-up singers.

Also airing in March on PBS 45 & 49 is My Generation — The ‘60s Experience, which creates the first-ever anthology featuring the soundtrack of the pivotal years from 1965 to 1969. The program airs on Saturday, March 5 at 10 p.m.; Monday, March 7 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 12 at 2 p.m.; and Sunday, March 13 at 8:30 p.m.

My Generation — The ‘60s Experience includes new performances mixed with classic full-length performance clips of the original icons of the periods. Rare footage includes performances of “Purple Haze” by Jimi Hendrix, “A Whiter Shade of Pale” by Procol Harum, “Light My Fire” by Jim Morrison and the Doors, “Piece of My Heart” by Janis Joplin and more.

For the first time, all the major rock icons are together in one program to reflect the mood of a generation. Dennis Edwards, original lead of the Temptations, belts out “Ball of Confusion,” while Martha Reeves sings “Nowhere to Run,” accompanied by visual images of the Vietnam era. Peace, love and protest are represented with Scott McKenzie’s “San Francisco,” and 16 members of the original Association gather to proclaim “Along Comes Mary.”

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