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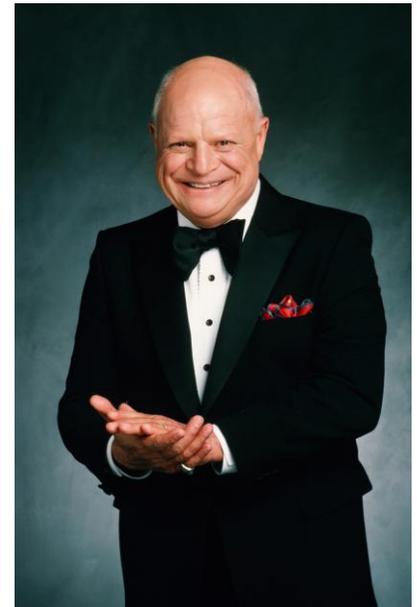
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DON RICKLES AT BUFFALO THUNDER

SANTA FE, N.M.— Don Rickles, one of comedy's most famous funnymen, will take the stage Sunday, Dec. 28, 8 p.m. at Buffalo Thunder Resort and Casino in what promises to be a night of laughs galore.

"We are so thrilled to have Don Rickles come to Buffalo Thunder," said David Oakeley, Executive Director of Marketing, Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino. "He is a legend in the comic field. I am sure patrons will have a great time at his show."

For almost 50 years he has appeared in top showrooms in Atlantic City and Las Vegas, as well as concert halls throughout the U.S. and internationally. Throughout his career, Rickles, a best-selling author with the 2007 release of "Rickles' Book" by Simon & Schuster, has been highly visible on television. In addition to frequent appearances with TV talk show hosts Larry King, Jay Leno, David Letterman and Regis Philbin, he recently starred in the highly acclaimed, John Landis-directed documentary "Mr. Warmth: The Don Rickles Project," which debuted on HBO late last year.



Rickles also has made his mark in theatrical motion pictures, including appearing in "Casino," which starred Robert De Niro, Sharon Stone and Joe Pesci, and was directed by Martin Scorsese. He appeared in the revolutionary computer-animated features, "Toy Story 1 and 2" for Walt Disney Pictures, and the now cult classic, "Kelly's Heroes," as well as early career roles in "Run Silent, Run Deep" and "Rat Race." Rickles was recently seen in the TNT television movie "The Wool Cap," which stars William H. Macy. Additionally, he has starred in live stage productions and, along the way, has had two best-selling comedy albums.

Although it is difficult to pinpoint the exact moment of his breakthrough, Rickles believes the ball really started rolling on the night of October 7, 1965, during his first appearance on Johnny Carson's "Tonight Show." His freewheeling performance that night became the talk of the show-business industry and caused nationwide comment among the press and public.

The next important breakthrough for Rickles occurred during the summer of 1967. He was signed to appear on "The Dean Martin Show." Rickles, in his first guest appearance on a major prime-time variety show, scored a major success.

Immediately after taping his first appearance on "The Dean Martin Show," Rickles was signed for a second guest spot on that program. Celebrities were invited to sit in the audience to become the targets of Rickles' "insults." Rickles did not know as he walked onstage whom he'd be confronting. Among others he faced that

night were Danny Thomas, Jackie Cooper, Bob Newhart, Lena Horne, Dean Martin, Ernest Borgnine, Don Adams, Ricardo Montalban and Pat Boone.

Meanwhile, the public was discovering that behind the sharp Rickles' barbs was deep affection and love for those whom he seemed to be taunting. "If I were to insult people and mean it, that wouldn't be funny," Rickles told an interviewer. "There is a difference between an actual insult and just having fun."



Over the course of his career, Rickles has received numerous accolades and awards, the most recent of which was Caesar's Palace's first ever Laurel Award and the United States Comedy & Arts Festival's 2007 Pinnacle Award. He has starred in prime time series for ABC, CBS, NBC and FOX and hosted or co-hosted seven television specials.

Rickles will perform in Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino's Tewa Grand Ballroom, a unique venue with 1400 seats. Concert-goers can enjoy all aspects of the newly-opened Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino, which is the largest destination resort in New Mexico. Buffalo Thunder includes a state-of-the-art casino with Las Vegas-style gaming and the Hilton Santa Fe Golf Resort & Spa at Buffalo Thunder with 395 luxury guest rooms.

WHAT: Don Rickles in Concert

WHERE: Tewa Grand Ballroom at the Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino,
30 Buffalo Thunder Trail, Santa Fe, NM.
Highway 84/285 in Pojoaque, only minutes from historic Santa Fe

WHEN: Sunday, December 28, 2008, 8 p.m.

TICKETS: \$49-\$79, www.buffalothunderresort.com, 800-905-3315.
Tickets also available at the Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino Box Office, located at the Casino Cage.

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