
Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Debby - 2006/05/12 16:33

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by hugs4u2 - 2006/05/12 21:19

I was just wondering if anyone happened to write out the poem Iyanla said at the readings
I think it is so wonderful and have really tried to rethink it in my mind but no no nothing comes through
So if you were able to get the whole poem could you let me know
Thanks Hugs4u2

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Mercredi - 2006/05/13 00:39

Debby wrote:
Does anyone have more details?

Nope! I can't wait to tivo it. :)

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Mercredi - 2006/05/13 00:44

In response to Hugs4u2.

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Mystique - 2006/05/13 00:47

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Thanks Merc!

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/05/13 05:04

LOVE THAT!!!

(Might have to watch Oprah's show if Iyanla is going to make an
appearance!):)

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by hugs4u2 - 2006/05/13 05:09

OH THANK YOU SO MUCH MERCERDI
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HUGS FOR YOU DEAR ONE

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by CoralRiver 5 - 2006/05/13 05:26

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CR5

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Posted by Mercredi - 2006/05/13 11:58

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Mystique wrote:

Thanks Merc!

You're welcome.~)

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2006/05/14 03:07

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Thanks.....***sniffles loudly also missing Coretta Scott King***

And make my beverages Diet Coke please!! ;) ;)

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Debby - 2006/05/15 13:12

I'm still not sure if Iyanla will be a part of the show, even though she was present at the brunch, but, I did hear that George W. Bush has a speech that will be broadcasts at the same time as Oprah's show.

I called my local ABC station and they informed me that they are moving Oprah's special to NEXT Monday night to avoid a conflict.

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Mercredi - 2006/05/15 13:27

I checked my tivo listings and it still has the Oprah thing at 8pm tonight. You might need to program your VCR in case.

The only bummer for me, is that it's only an hour (well, 40 minutes with the commercial breaks). What can we possibly see in 40 minutes? I think Oprah should air the event during her show (2 days) instead.

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/05/15 14:05

I thought I saw a commercial for it last night and I thought it said May 22nd.

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/05/15 14:11

Just did a yahoo search...

Here is a link... The initial search looked like some mention of today's date... But maybe because of basketball playoff or whatever else... a decision was made to move it.

I am sure it is a taped event anyway... I'll check the site more..
It sounds like a decision was made to move it maybe even before the president's speech. ABC could have always delayed the start of it to broadcast it in full. I highly doubt that the President's speech will be lengthy.. It isn't a state of the union address.

In any case... I thought I saw, and now see it on the site as well that the 22nd is at least the current date.

<http://abc.go.com/primetime/legendsball/>

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/05/15 14:17

I just looked at the website and read it more thoroughly..

The 25 women honored are listed.. At least 2 honorees have since passed away... Coretta Scott King and Rosa Parks... I do not see Iyanla mentioned in the honorees. Maybe she was an organizer or presenter..

It is an event that was actually held last year and I suppose edited for a tv broadcast WAY after the fact! I thought maybe that this was a separate and new event and the website I found was from last year. But that can't be right either...because last year the 22nd of May wouldn't have fallen on a Monday..

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/05/16 00:22

Good! I didn't miss it then! Today was "one of those" and didn't even turn on the TV until after 9pm...at which point I remembered the show....mentalpauses increasing!! :laugh:

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Debby - 2006/05/23 11:24

Correction on the Oprah special: As you probably know if you saw the show, it wasn't our Iyanla who was a guest, it was YOLANDA Adams. I must have misunderstood Oprah's pronunciation.

Anyway, I'm glad I caught it. It was really inspiring. I just have a question. What criteria was used in the guest list for the Ball? Tom Crews, John Travolta, Dianne Sawyer? I know she is friends with Tom and John and Dianne Sawyer is married to some Entertainmemnt Producer, but not sure of the connection.

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2006/05/23 12:44

Debby,

I agree.....it was very moving and inspirational!!!

I think the gala ball that included 400 people were just to invite a big, ole heapload of celebrities!! Just big names. I remember Gayle saying that people kept calling last minute about cancelling/attending. I think Oprah just wanted the ball to really be a huge bash and show the Legends just how much they've meant to everyone!!

The brunch was the personal and moving part...for me!! That poem was beautiful! Do you know if it's posted anywhere??

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Mercredi - 2006/05/23 13:45

The show ROCKED! I loved every single minute of it. :) My favorite part was at the end when some of the legends and youngins (sp?) were singing. Oprah said it wasn't rehearsed? WOW, Amazing!!!

As much as Oprah always talked about Toni Morisson on her show, I wonder why she was not invited or not even a legend.:unsure:

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Woo - 2006/05/24 12:33

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Posted by butterfly34 - 2006/05/24 16:06

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Posted by Mercredi - 2006/05/24 17:23

butterfly34 wrote:

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Aretha wasn't at any of the events. Beyonce was probably on tour abroad with her group (geez, can't remember the name of it!). As for the other two, well they are grammy awards singers (I think). They deserved to be there. Thank God, they didn't have to sing!:laugh:

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by PattiAnn1 - 2006/05/24 21:44

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Aretha Franklin is afraid to fly, and I don't know how far in advance these invitations were given out. Also, she may not have been in the best of health for train or bus traveling.

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Debby - 2006/05/25 12:51

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Me toooo!! I loved that show Julia. It brought back some great memories. Of course, those times were hard for those ladies. It was so nice that some of them received this tribute before their passing.

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Debby - 2006/05/25 12:51

Double post edited by Mod.

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by LouieBlue - 2006/05/30 15:46

Hey Hugs...

I happen to have the reading Iyanla said at the Poetry Slam here it is:

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by dallas80 - 2006/06/11 03:16

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Iyanla was not at Oprah's Legends Ball. The name you heard was Yolanda---as in Yolanda Adams.

Re:Iyanla/Oprah's Legend Ball

Posted by Debby - 2006/06/12 12:30

Dallas, I did misunderstand Oprah in her interview and thought she said Iyanla. I'm really glad I did, because I might have missed the special otherwise. I hope you were able to catch it. It was great!!!

I kept looking for Iyanla and when they showed Yolanda Adams, I realized that is who Oprah was talking about. Too bad Iyanla wasn't there. It looked like the kind of event that she would relish in as well as as one that she would have contributed to in a big way!

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Your are right. It was right around the time that Rachel went home and had a memorial service for her mother.

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Re:Iyanla/Oprah\'s Legend Ball

Posted by dallas80 - 2006/06/13 00:17

Yes, Debby,

I was lucky to be home to see Oprah's Legends Ball, since I had forgotten the broadcast day had been changed. I cried through most of it. It was such a lovely thing to see the younger generation honoring the older generation that had paved the way.

I'm so glad Oprah thought to do that.

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