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Jimmy Buffett's presentation of Herman Wouk's Don't Stop the Carnival begins an open-ended run at the Atlantis Theatre on April 6, 2001. Set amid the tropical splendor of Atlantis, Paradise Island, the newly remodeled theatre, outfitted with professional lighting and sound, and circled by beautifully back-lit travel posters, presents the perfect venue to display the theatrical tour of Kinja.

Jimmy's infatuation with the Pulitzer Prize Winning novelists' mid-life tale continues; a Gold Album for the CD of the same name, an award winning play at Coconut Grove Theatre in south Miami, and now a 90-minute musical revue satiated with singing and dancing, and laced with just enough narrative to propel the spectacle to it's carnival-costumed conclusion. Local musicians and dancers, along with stateside cast members, create a colorful, collaborative cast of Amerigo natives theatrically illustrating how t'ings really work "down island."

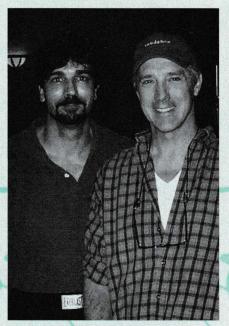
We went to Atlantis a couple of weeks ago to check out the DSTC revue, assist in their merchandising efforts and get free drinks in the casino. 101 Productions has the unenviable task of assembling the egos and eccentricities into a presentation that will please fans familiar with the story as well as visitors lured by a free drink and steel drum music. Atlantis Theatre, easily discernible by the freshly painted Amerigo Mural, a short walk from Mama Loo's (great Mai Tai's) and around the corner from the Bahamian Club (terrific conch chowder), occupies the west side of a rotunda centered by a dolphin sculptured fountain. Here we were greeted by old friends from the Buffett tour.

Jimmy has perfected a true "work ethic." Find people who know what they're doing and stay the hell out of the way. Sid Strong, light designer extraordinaire has traveled with Jimmy for over a decade. He has a blank stage to layout and light. Placement is primary. Using the backdrop from the Beach House tour, he has effected a lifelike island atmosphere, complete with "moving" clouds and water that "ripples."

Ross Ritto toured with Jimmy back when the wheels didn't leave the ground, when King Tut was their home, stage backdrop, and road refuge. Studio albums, live albums, and now theater performances all feature the patented sound from Ross and his company Sound Image. "Tell Richie (sound designer Richard Davis) I'm going to the casino," Ross bellows to an electrician. Ya mon. While the dealer casually flips himself yet another face card, Ross bravely attempts to explain audio design, leaving us mired in a sea of acoustics and technical specifications. Better hit that 14 Ross.

Costume designer Helen Hiatt, another Buffett tour veteran, and Emmy Award Winner for Outstanding Costumes for a Variety or Music Program brings her talent to Atlantis as well. Concert goers will recognize her work throughout the musical, but most predominantly in the junkanoo-inspired Carnival scene.

And Michael Utley, the embarrassingly polite Mr. Utley, always a joy to talk to and chief practitioner of the aforementioned Buffett work ethic. Serving as musical supervisor, Michael's working on arrangements with Stephen Coleman who will assume the musical director duties once Mr. Utley sweats his way through customs.



Luis Perez and Michael Rupert

We are fortunate to be here at this time because we'll see the first complete run through of the performance. A conference room down the hall contains a makeshift stage and a piano, all this group of pro's need. The cast arrives, Peter Samuel (our hero, Norman Paperman) who must be cool if he wears a Broadway softball t'shirt, and Sandy Edgerton, reprising the role of Iris she mastered in Coconut Grove. Harriett D. Foy embraces the role of Sheila, opening the play in a rousing vocal narrative and, along with the ensemble, a flawless (to my untrained eye at any rate) dance routine. The maternal Sheila maintains the flow of the show, encapsulating previous scenes and influencing the next. Lew Lloyd (Lester Atlas) paces stage left before he explodes

into the cliche, loudmouth, boorish, ugly-American character...and he does it so well. Pia Farmer (Norman's wife Henny) has the long-suffering task of supporting her adulterous husband's escapist nightmare. She plays the foil perfectly, while providing the necessary dose of reality.

The ensemble cast compliments the lead characters, stepping in and out of various roles in addition to the strenuous dance duties composed by choreographer Luis Perez. Well respected in the industry, Luis' in-demand skills as confrontational choreographer, if you will, have enabled him to stage fight scenes for many Broadway shows. "Jimmy's very trusting. He seems to know talent and knows

enough to leave it alone." He discussed the possibility of doing DSTC with director Michael Rupert, read the book and bought the CD. "I had to listen to the music many times over working out arrangements. I enjoyed the CD which made that task much easier, didn't mind playing the CD over at all."

Director Michael Rupert played Norman Paperman in the Coconut Grove production. Even then, the possibility of advancing the play was discussed. "We knew it had flaws, we knew it needed work, but with the reception we were getting every night, we also knew we had something." Several years later the Tony Award Winning actor received an email from Jimmy requesting he consider directing a totally revamped version and Michael jumped at the opportunity. He also had the pleasure of spending many constructive hours in Paradise Island



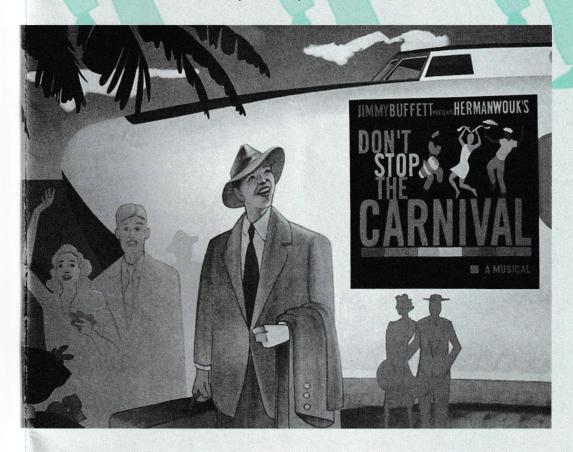
with the author, Herman Wouk, reshaping and condensing the play, using Luis' choreographed sequences to propel and theatrically illustrate the story.

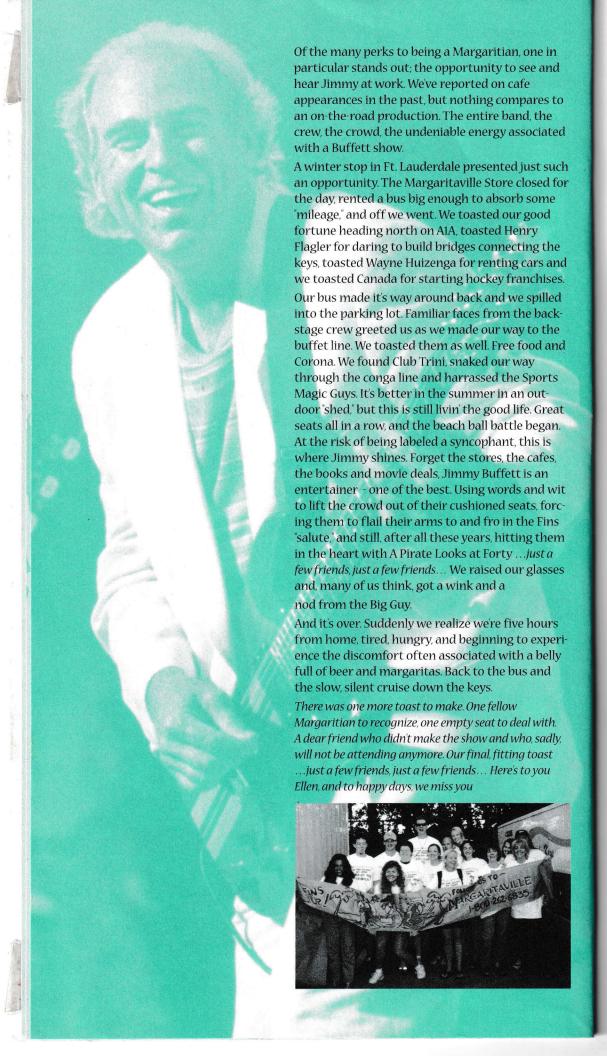
Fast forward to Friday, April 6, opening night. Jimmy is in attendance passing out champagne and generally feeling pretty good about the theatre, the performance and the cast. The doors ceremoniously close on the cast party, and the Atlantis Theatre, the newly remodeled Atlantis Theatre, receives it's initiation in Buffett-style celebrating. Here the story ends, or begins...

Jimmy's songwriting / storytelling skills are a given, a curious brew of fact and fiction, and at times unabashedly autobiographical. "Gypsies In The Palace" immediately comes to mind; We'll party just like Bubba does, we'll do the old man proud. All the time, effort and pent up energy that goes into the production is released in one glorious bacchanal. The work isn't over, refinements will be made, but that is for tomorrow.

And tomorrow does come, long shadows cast by the rising sun creep up the faux Mayan Temple, repeating a scene that played out centuries ago. The troupe recuperates from a successful opening night performance, we're in the casino lost in a maze of slot machines, Herman Wouk sleeps comfortably several time zones away, and the protagonist in this saga casually packs his bag for a flight to Miami. He's planning to attend the Miami Heat game on Sunday. They're playing the Knicks...

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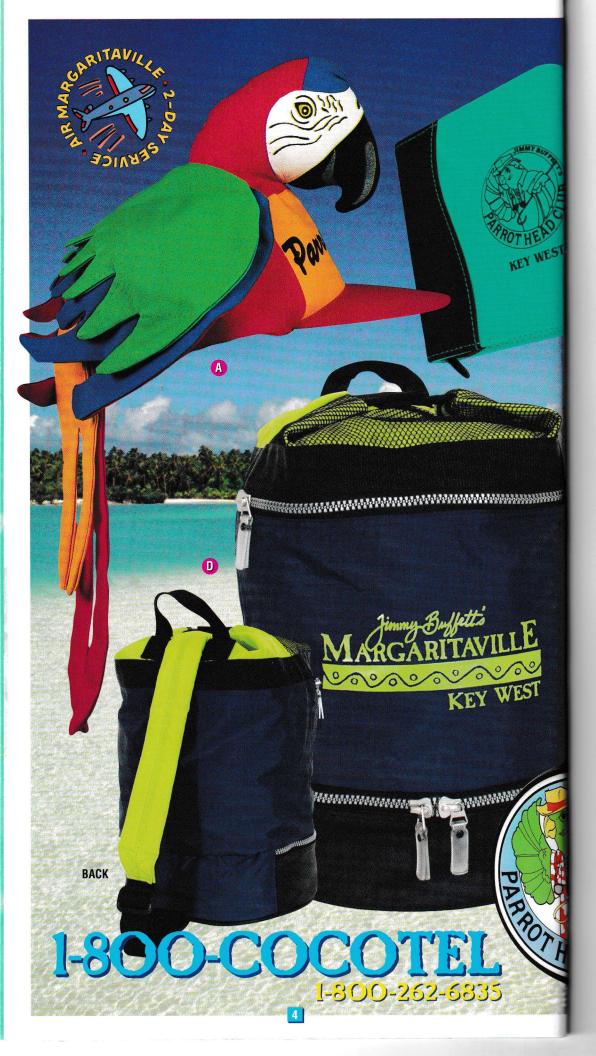




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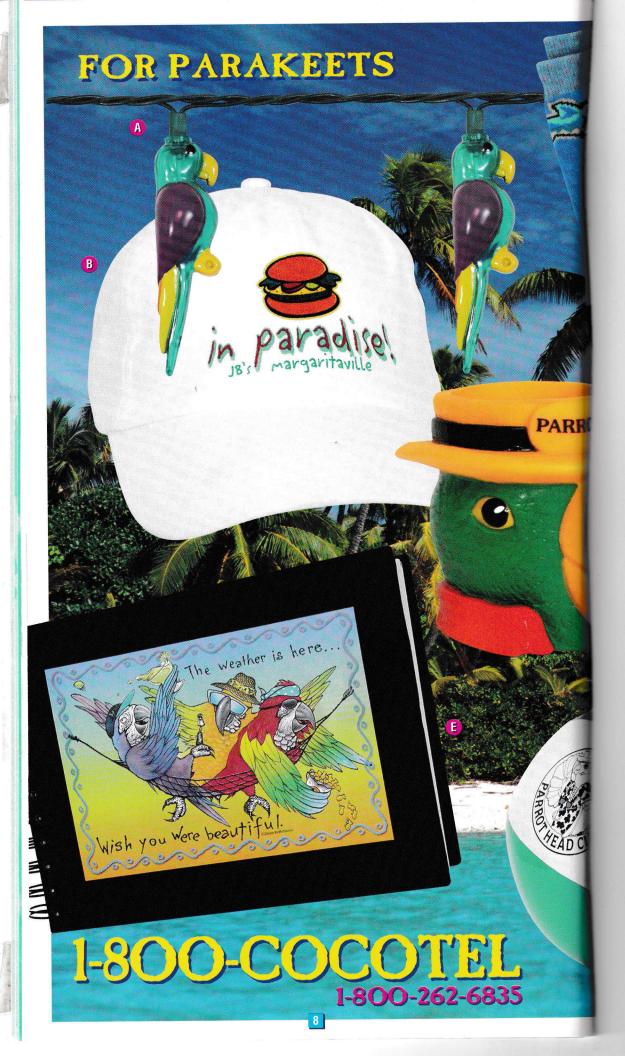




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"It's very exciting to be able to program a radio station that people all over the world can tune into and enjoy," says Buffelt. "The power and scope of the inter-

Sleve Huntington, the station's Program Director comments, "The internet is finally showing what we had suspected for over two years, and that is that Radio Margaritaville is way ahead of the curve in internet broadcasting. Jimmy Buffelt's idea to address an audience that wasn't being served otherwise has proven to be a winner. The great music, and the fun that we're having with it on Radio Margaritaville is clearly catching on with internet listeners."

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Adds Coleman Sisson, Station Manager, "We are extremely pleased to be recognized by measurecast.com, Arbitron and more importantly by Jimmu's fans. They know that Radio Margaritaville is not just about Jimmy Buffett music, it's about good music. That was Jimmy's vision from the beginning and it's great to see his pirate approach to things works in the high tech world of the internet just as it has in his books and music."

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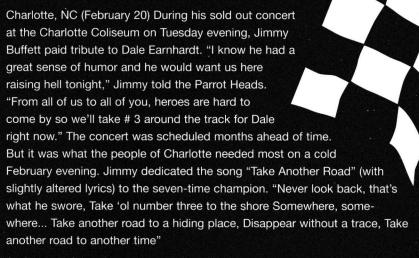
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At the end of the night, Jimmy came back on stage for one last song— "Oysters and Pearls." A song about those rare individuals willing to take huge risks for the ultimate glory. Indeed, a fitting tribute to The Intimidator. The last line "Lindbergh left Long Island in 1927" was replaced with "Earnhardt left Daytona...February 2001." His final words to the Charlotte crowd were "Goodnight everybody, God bless you. For you Dale." Larry Graff,

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Social activities for people

In may of 2000 a young friend of mine was diagnosed with Stage IV neuroblastoma. Jon Powell is a 2 year old strong willed Parakeet who was later given the name "Jollymon Jon" by the Parrot Heads of vpne.com. Jon is now nome recovering from his Stem Cell Transplant. He will possibly begin a new treatment in My within the next month.

During Jons illness I asked people on VPHC and the Pittsburgh Parrot Heads to pray for Jon and keep him in their thoughts. The outlook was not looking good. It was only a few days into my postings that I began receiving cards and even gifts from Parrot Heads all over the world to be delivered to Jon. I was overwhelmed at the amount of gifts, cards, and emails I received daily. The support and encouragement from these Phriends were outstanding. At the Cincy Snow, they had people signing a blow up flamingo to send to Jon. He loved it so much when he got it, the flamingo slept with him nightly.

The Ozark Club sent a big box full of toys, VPHC member Cheryl Wilson sent goodies almost on a weekly basis. The Pittsburgh Parrot Heads sent a parrot whom later earned the name of "COWBOY". They even made John an honorary member of their club, sending him a nametag that he wears with PRIDE. And at their recent Cabin Fever Party, they raised money for charity, donating a third to Joh! At moTm, I had Phellow Parrot Heads I'd never met coming up to me asking how John was doing. I was in awe of the caring love and compassion these people had. There is no way possible that we could sit down and answer or list all the letters, cards, and gifts that John received from Parrot Heads across the world.

I plan to find a way to send out a neartfelt thanks to all of them nowever. If you have any suggestions, please get in contact with me. They are all special to me, my family, and to gollymon gon. Putting a smile on this parakeets face is what each of them did, and I thank them. I love them all. They are the best Pholks in the world. Some people are correct in saying that Parrot Heads are a breed all in their own. They are a special breed, a fantastic loving people; and I am so thankful to be a part of the group known as Parrot Heads.

gimmy, I want to thank you for the music that brings us all together. Without you and your wonderful creative music that helps us each to escape to our own margaritaville from time to time, we would never have been able to meet all these fantastic people. Thank you.



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