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**RE: The Rocky Hock Playhouse to present *Rocky Hock Gospel Jamboree***

**Rocky Hock Playhouse  
Mailing Address:  
P.O. Box 322  
Edenton, NC 27932**

**Theatre physical address and location:  
230 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Washington, NC 27889**

**Box Office Phone: (252) 482-4621  
[www.rockyhockplayhouse.com](http://www.rockyhockplayhouse.com)**

**Production: *Rocky Hock Gospel Jamboree***

Performances are held from September 22 through October 15, 2011 in Washington, NC on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:45pm, and Saturdays at 10:00am, 12:45pm, and 5:00pm. Special Performances will be held at Leon Nixon Catering Banquet Facilities in Edenton, NC. September 30 at 12:00pm and October 1 at 6:30pm. Pricing is the same at both locations. For more information contact the Rocky Hock Playhouse Box Office: (252) 482-4621.

The *Jamboree* performances in both Edenton and Washington are lunch/dinner theatre events.

The Rocky Hock Playhouse is a full time professional theatre located in Washington, NC.

### **STORY:**

This show has it all! Come along and enjoy a fabulous buffet meal and the best *Gospel Jamboree* in the South. We've remodeled our Mrs. Cromley's Country Buffet Restaurant, and now it's a magnificent dinner theatre! This is our first ever "*Jamboree*" dinner (lunch) theatre production! The cost is just \$25.75 for adults, \$24.75 for seniors, and \$18.75 for children (plus tax and gratuity). Special performances will be held in Edenton at the Leon Nixon Catering Banquet Facilities on September 30 and October 1.

This musical comedy, presented by the best of the Rocky Hock singers and cast, will make you feel good all over! It's music, music, music, and we guarantee you'll laugh till your sides hurt. Included in this musical extravaganza is an almost overwhelming patriotic tribute to America and our military and some of the "best of the best" Gospel music in the Carolinas. You'll also enjoy the remarkable comedy and story woven into the musical. Don't miss out – this is a *ROCKY HOCK GOSPEL JAMBOREE* not to be missed!

The Rocky Hock Playhouse is one of only a few full time professional Christian theatres on the East Coast. They entertained nearly 180,000 people in Edenton, NC before relocating to Washington, NC in January of 2009. Over 30,000 people have attended performances at the Playhouse in Washington since it opened in March of 2009. The musical is an original work by Gloria Emmerich who is the theatre co-owner and resident playwright, songwriter, and musical director.

Although the permanent home of the Rocky Hock Playhouse is in Washington, NC, the Playhouse is also planning special performances at Leon Nixon Catering Banquet Facilities located just 2 miles north of downtown Edenton, NC on Hwy 32. Special lighting, staging, and sets are being constructed to accommodate the production. Special performances of the *Rocky Hock Gospel Jamboree* will be on September 30 at 12:00pm and October 1 at 6:30pm. Call our box office for more information. Location: 749 Virginia Rd., Edenton, NC 27932

**Songs in the show include:**

*I'll Fly Away (Medley)*  
*Who Will Be a Witness?*  
*How Sweet the Sound*  
*Heavenly Sunlight*  
*This Little Light of Mine*  
*Hallelujah!*  
*When the Saints Go Marchin' in*  
*Turn Your Radio On*  
*Just a Little Talk with Jesus*  
*Dig a Little Deeper in the Well*  
*Old Time Religion (Medley)*  
*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*  
*I Go to the Rock*  
*Marchin' on up*  
*Military Anthems (including Battle Hymn of the Republic)*

and many more...

Reservations and information (252) 482-4621.

Visit [www.rockyhockplayhouse.com](http://www.rockyhockplayhouse.com) for additional details

**Ticket prices for both locations:**

Adults: \$25.75, Seniors: \$24.75, Children: \$18.75 (plus tax and gratuity)

Box Office: Nathan Schierer (252) 482-4621

Website: [www.rockyhockplayhouse.com](http://www.rockyhockplayhouse.com)

# Rocky Hock Gospel Jamboree

A Gospel Music Explosion!

BY GLORIA EMMERICH



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## Rocky Hock Gospel Jamboree Cast:



**Gloria Emmerich (Musical Director / Rocky Hock Singer)** was born in Newport, Oregon and is the resident musical director, playwright, lyricist, and composer at the Playhouse. She has written over 60 full-length musicals – many of which are being performed around the world today. Her original works are published through EPI in Minneapolis, MN. Gloria appears in all Rocky Hock Playhouse productions. She earned a **Bachelor of Music Degree** and **Master of Music Degree in Vocal Performance** from San Diego State University. Gloria and her husband Jeff started the original theatre in Edenton in 2000.



**Jeff Emmerich (*Stage Director / Rocky Hock Singer*)** was born in Bend, Oregon and co-owns the Rocky Hock Playhouse with his wife Gloria. He was previously head of the drama department at North Central University in Minneapolis, MN. Jeff appears in all Playhouse productions and is our stage director and set designer. Jeff is also currently a faculty member in the drama department at College of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City, NC. He earned a **Bachelor of Music Degree in Vocal Performance** and a **Master of Fine Arts Degree in Drama and Musical Theatre** from San Diego State University.



**Mariah Perry (*Choreographer / Rocky Hock Singer*)** is from Greene, Maine and is an accomplished dancer, actor, and singer. She is a legitimate “triple threat” and we’re honored to have her on our stage this summer. Mariah earned a **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Dance** from Dean College. There is a tremendous amount of musical staging and choreography in this show and we could not have hoped for a better person to set the show in motion!!



**Nathan P. Schierer (*Rocky Hock Singer*)** is from Fillmore, NY. He is a graduate of Houghton College where he earned a **Bachelor of Music Degree in Vocal Performance**. Nathan is also our box office and office manager. He has been with the company now for almost three years and has played major roles in ten of our major productions. Nathan is gifted with a stunning voice and terrific sense of humor.



**Darryl Stallings (*Rocky Hock Singer*)** has lived all of his life in Eastern North Carolina. He attended Holmes Bible College in Greenville, SC. Darryl is part of the stock company of players here in Washington. Darryl is married to Wanda and they have two beautiful children, Charity and Nathaniel. Darryl has raised thousands of dollars for charities through his singing ministry over the past 25 years. He’s a good friend, an excellent actor, and polished singer.