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**RIVER ROCK CASINO RESORT & BOULEVARD CASINO
PRESENT**

CRAIG FERGUSON

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22 – RIVER ROCK SHOW THEATRE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 – RED ROBINSON SHOW THEATRE

Craig Ferguson entered the world of late night comedy following a diverse and eclectic career that encompasses stage, film and television. Born in Glasgow, Scotland, he got his start in the entertainment industry as a drummer for several punk bands in the UK. Following his musical stint, he began bartending in a local pub in Glasgow where he was introduced to Michael Boyd, the artistic director of The Tron Theatre in Glasgow who persuaded Ferguson to give acting a go. After several low paying acting gigs, he discovered he had a knack for comedy and was soon the star of his own BBC television show, *The Ferguson Theory* in 1994.

After several stints on the English comedy circuit, Ferguson brought his act to the US in 1995 to star with Marie Osmond and Betty White on the short-lived ABC sitcom, *Maybe This Time*. After the show ended, the network decided to add the talented Scotsman to *The Drew Carey Show* where he joined the cast in 1996 playing the role of "Nigel Wick" for eight seasons. Along with acting, he has written such feature films as *The Big Tease* (1999) and *Saving Grace* (2000). He made his directorial debut with the 2003 film, *I'll Be There* which he also wrote and starred in. It went on to receive the Audience Award for Best Film at the Aspen, Dallas and Valencia film festivals. He was also named "Best New Director" at the Napa Valley Film Festival. In 2006, his novel, *Between the Bridge and the River* was published and became a critically acclaimed bestseller.

Ferguson who took over as host of CBS's *The Late Late Show* in January, 2005 is also one of the show's writers. Just this past September, HarperCollins released his memoir, *American On Purpose: The Improbable Adventures of an Unlikely Patriot* which follows his living the American dream journeying from a small town in Scotland to the entertainment capital of the world. He also serves on the board of the Lollipop Theater Network whose mission is to bring films that are currently in theatrical release to hospitalized children facing chronic and life threatening illnesses nationwide. Craig Ferguson will be performing at the River Rock Casino Resort and Boulevard Casino's Red Robinson Show Theatre in January, 2010.

TICKETS ON SALE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5 @ 10:00 AM

DOORS 7:00 PM SHOW 8:00 PM

Tickets: Reg. \$59.50 & Golden Circle \$69.50 (+ Service Charges)

Tickets available at all Ticketmaster Outlets or charge-by-phone (604) 280-4444 or order on-line at www.ticketmaster.ca

Both shows: 19 years and over

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