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“It’s Raining Men” on June 5 Martha Wash headlines Pride Winnipeg Festival

Winnipeg, MB – Pride Winnipeg is pleased to announce that Martha Wash – the dance diva responsible for the hit single “It’s Raining Men” – will headline the Pride Winnipeg Festival at The Forks on Sunday, June 5, 2011.

“Martha Wash has left an indelible stamp on the music industry, and we are proud to bring her to Winnipeg to join our Pride celebrations,” says Pride Winnipeg chair Barb Burkowski. “Martha has a huge following in the queer community, and is well known and respected for her music and activism.”

Wash and her band The Weather Girls catapulted to the top of the charts in 1982 with the dance/disco smash hit “It’s Raining Men.” Since then, she has achieved success as a solo artist and worked with numerous other recording acts including Luther Vandross, C+C Music Factory, and RuPaul.

Wash will perform as part of a free music festival and business fair at The Forks on June 5, following Pride Winnipeg’s annual rally at the Manitoba legislature and parade down Broadway. Additional details about Pride festivities for 2011 will be announced in the coming weeks and months. For more information about Pride Winnipeg please visit www.pridewinnipeg.com. For more information about Martha Wash please visit www.marthawash.com.

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