



## **Gary Sturgis to Co-Star in Chicago Pulaski Jones**

*Bad Guy Does a Funny - Gary Sturgis co-stars in Cedric the Entertainer's Directorial Debut written by Kel Mitchell and Janis Woody*

Los Angeles, CA, March 18, 2008 --(PR.com)-- At long last, fans of Hollywood's favorite bad guy, Gary Anthony Sturgis ("Tyler Perry's Diary of a Mad Black Woman", "Tyler Perry's Daddy's Little Girls", "Pride"), will get a chance to see him do something totally different--comedy. That's right, Mr. Sturgis does have a funny bone and the golden voice can do more than frighten the good guy. Gary will be co-starring in the upcoming comedy, "Chicago Pulaski Jones", written by and starring Kel Mitchell and directed by Cedric The Entertainer, who also does a cameo in the film.

Sturgis was approached directly by Mitchell after they had established a friendship during several episodes of BET's game show "Take The Cake" on which Gary co-hosted with Toccara Jones and Kel was the guest.

Gary will be playing Mitchell's uncle in the film, a town hero by the name of Daddy Jay and the film promises some very funny moments from noted bad guy Mr. Sturgis. Though he will bring along the golden pipes for which he is famous, that will not be the focus of his character. When asked about his feelings on being seen in a comedic light vs. his famous bad-guy persona, Mr. Sturgis ecstatically replied, "I am a real actor...and real actors can do more than one character. I am not a bad guy in real life, so finally others can see me do something different and I'm grateful to Kel and Cedric for the opportunity."

This is not Gary's first comedic role. He has been seen in other comedies on the small screen such as "Malcolm and Eddie", "High Society" and most recently, "Girlfriends" where he was the object of character Joan Clayton's fantasy desires; and on the silver screen in the upcoming "The Adventures of Umbweki", directed by Sarah Poindexter.

Gary is available for on-set interviews during the week of March 24, 2008, and for magazine, television and radio interviews thereafter.

Chicago Pulaski Jones- written by Kel Mitchell and Janis Woody, stars Mitchell, Cedric, Tommy Davidson and Gary Sturgis. It centers around a young championship dancer, Jones (Mitchell), who heads to the big city for his shot at super stardom. On the day he arrives, his uncle (Sturgis) is murdered, leaving Jones to avenge his uncle's death vigilante style and alone. Cedric's manager and producing partner Eric C. Rhone is producing with Mitchell, Woody and Mathew Gray through Rhone and Cedric's A Bird and A Bear Entertainment. Cedric is exec producing. The film began production 3/10/08 in Los Angeles.

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