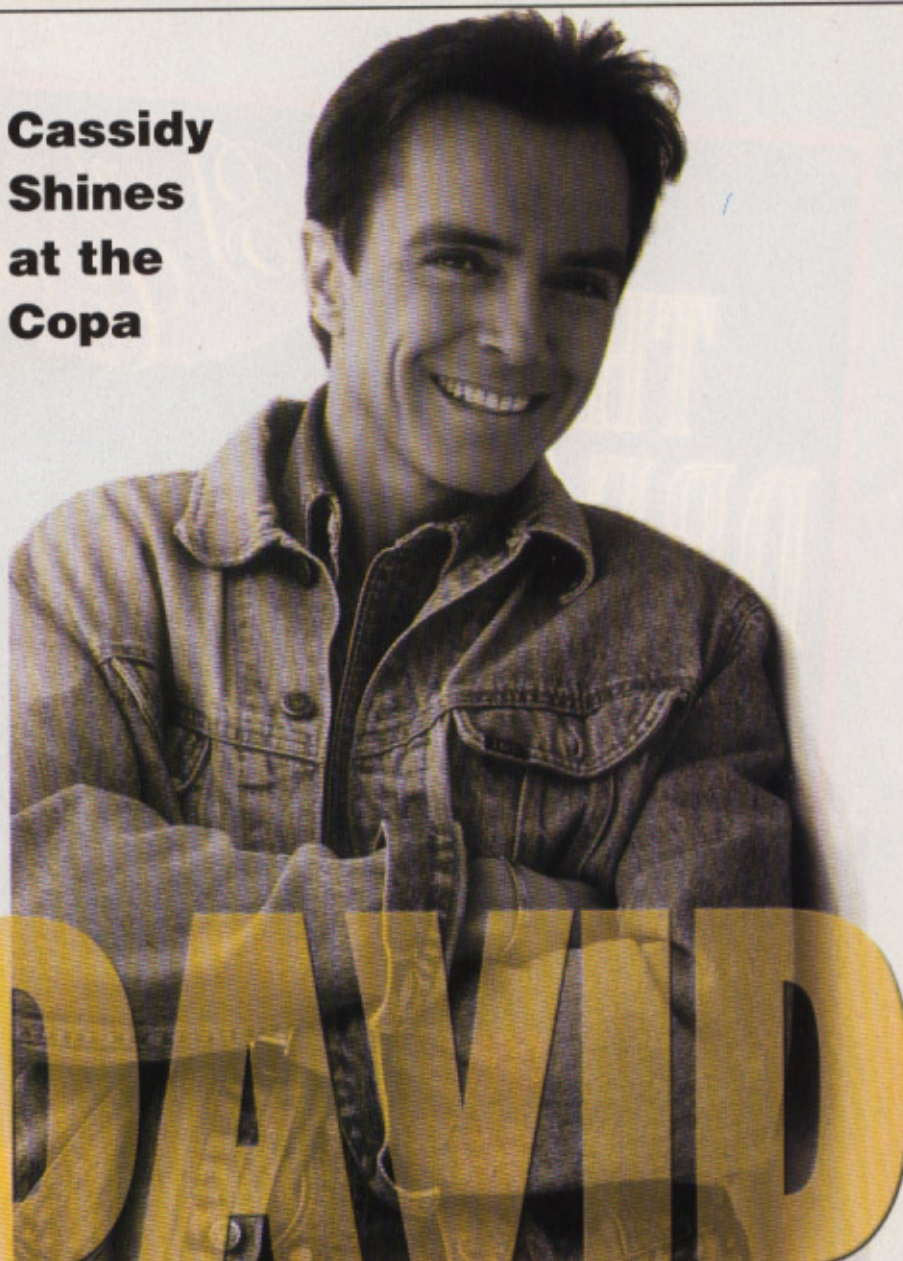


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Cassidy Shines at the Copa



One might think that David Cassidy would be the last person they would see at the Copa. Much less Sheena Easton. But, it's time to push all your beliefs aside and throw caution to the wind, because both are indeed there. Or should I say here, in Vegas, that is.

"At the Copa," a new and refreshing high-energy musical at Rio makes its way to the front of the line in a flurry of aging and typical Las Vegas shows.

"At the Copa," co-produced by Cassidy and Don Reo, is a highly interactive production featuring a universal theme that appeals to all kinds of people. The show uses amazing state-of-the-art technology in its Copacabana Showroom, and it creates an extremely realistic nightclub atmosphere.

Headlining in "At the Copa," Cassidy comes off previous performances in "The Rat Pack Is Back" and a very successful run in "EFX."

Known mostly for his work on "The Partridge Family" in his youth, Cassidy has blossomed as a performer. With more than 25 million albums sold worldwide, and once having a fan club that exceeded those of Elvis Presley and the Beatles, Cassidy has matured gracefully on and off the stage.

In 1999, Cassidy was named Best All-Around Performer by the *Las Vegas Review-Journal's* Best of Las Vegas readers' poll; the second time in three years. Proof that he's a performer worth seeing.

In "At the Copa," Cassidy brings a special element to the show's content. Aside from his role as the star, he will serve as a creative force behind the scenes. From the music to the theatrics to staging, Cassidy will pull from his many successes on Broadway, television and in the music industry for a sexy, high-energy, rhythmic theatrical production unlike anything Las Vegas has seen before.

"The light bulb just came on," said Cassidy, who initially intended to be the show's only marquee name. "During rehearsals, it became more and more apparent that we needed a special talent who could take a 50-50 role in this show. We need-

ed someone who, after I leave the stage, can come right in and take command."

Enter Sheena Easton.

Easton joins the cast after her appearance at The Venetian on New Year's Eve.

Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Easton is best known for singing hits like "9 to 5" and "For Your Eyes Only." Recently completing a long-running tour and work on her latest album, Easton is delighted to join up with Cassidy.

"It will be nice to be performing in one place," she said.

Easton will play the character of Ruby Bombay, while Cassidy will play Johnny Flamingo. Nineteen musicians will bring the cast count to more than 30 in a story Cassidy said has one foot in the bygone swing era and the other in modern times.

"At the Copa"

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FAN FAVORITE — David Cassidy, who stars in the Rio's newest high-energy show, once had a fan club bigger than Elvis Presley's