

(LAS VEGAS) - Spring is almost here, warmer weather, clear skies and sitting by the pool most days. As promised, photos from the opening night of my show are here. Hope you like, and thanks to David Cherkis for the excellent work as usual.

Every Monday from 6:00PM to 9:00PM you can catch one of my dear pals from New England in action. See Gary Norsigian perform close up walk around magic at DaddyMac's bar and restaurant located at 2920 N Green Valley Pkwy, #6, in Henderson, not far from the Strip. It has been going on for a month now so maybe it will survive for the foreseeable future.

### **ANOTHER FORM OF ILLUSION**

Going downtown in Las Vegas is always an adventure. Jan and I were at Hennessey's for a dinner show last week that blew us away. A magic show of sorts, we went to see the Edwards Twins, Anthony and Eddie, identical twins with a warehouse full of costumes, wigs and make-up, and their latest show.

The evening starts with a dinner - above average food for such a showroom, but they need to get their act together in the service and food timing departments. The kitchen must have been overloaded with the restaurant and the showroom, because we waited an hour for our meal to arrive.

It was a creamy pasta and chicken combo, extremely good, with an okay salad and a better dessert. We were there for the show, so let's not get bogged down with the food. They are stressing that this is an attempt to bring back the old Vegas dinner and show format, which is admirable. I'd call that aspect a definite work in progress. The showroom is a converted function room in the back of the ground floor restaurant called Hennessey's, at the end of Fremont Street where it intersects the Strip. Easy to find, not so easy to fill the room at that location, as most of the tourists and the action in the area is under the gigantic canopy on Fremont Street...this place is just a block away, but that aspect alone keeps many from ever seeing the place.

That said, a packed room seemed to thoroughly enjoy this musical variety show that goes a step further than the usual celebrity impersonator show. The brothers portray a number of singers, starting with Barbara Streisand, a remarkable looking and sounding bit of illusion created by Eddie.

Next is brother Anthony with Stevie Wonder, then it's the magic of Cher, complete with sexy and gender-defying costume that has to be seen to be believed (does that hurt?)

A brief Sonny & Cher bit is fun, and it is clear these two guys have been singing together all their lives, and they truly love what they do, as they told me afterward. They said they have over 100 characters, all with complete make-up and hair changes, the results are uncanny impersonations every time. This means the show changes almost nightly, with a few complete characters interspersed with a number of voice-only impressions to round out the program.

Sound is impressive for such an improvised showroom setting, although the stage is too big for the size of the room. These two deserve a better setting to showcase their magical talents. Great voices, tremendous energy, and thoroughly entertaining, you really need to catch this show. For the bargain price of \$45, you get a choice of 3 entrees and the show. Dinner begins at 6:30 pm followed by the show at 8:00 pm.

Magically yours,  
Steve