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David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts presents

Chrisette Michele *Epiphany*

Sunday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m.

Ferguson Hall at the Straz Center

Regularly priced tickets start at \$32.50

TAMPA, Fla. — The David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts (formerly the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center) presents Chrisette Michele in Ferguson Hall on Sunday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m.

It has been two years since sultry voiced singer Michele released her stunning gold-certified debut *I Am*. Blessed with a gorgeous instrument and described as a “soulful songbird” by *Entertainment Weekly*, the Long Island native proved to the world that she could live up to the hype. Nominated for a BET Award for Best New Artist as well as two Grammy® Awards, *I Am* was both a critical success and a fans delight.

Recruiting talented collaborators that include Ne-Yo, Michele has infused her jazz vocal style with more pop. Marking a transition away from her traditional leanings to a fuller integration of hip-hop soul, the singer/songwriter was clearly conscious of the next level. Yet, as can clearly be heard on her newest single, “Epiphany (I’m Leaving),” the 26-year-old has expanded her musical palette.

The performance will include special guests Laura Izibor and Lem Payne.

For more information, [visit thisischristemichele.com](http://visitthisischristemichele.com).

Regularly priced tickets for the Sunday, March 7, 7:30 p.m. performance by Chrisette Michele start at \$32.50 and may be purchased by calling 813.229.STAR (7827) or 800.955.1045 outside Tampa Bay, in person at the Straz Center Ticket Office or online at www.strazcenter.org. For more information about the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts and its upcoming events, please visit the Straz Center’s website at www.strazcenter.org.

Events, days, dates, times, performers and prices are subject to change without notice.

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