



**WCT'S 2023/2024 SEASON
QUICK-STUDY GUIDE:
*BLAK: Iconic Canadian Women
in Music***

Created and Performed by Krystle Dos Santos



**WESTERN
CANADA
THEATRE**

The Play

A powerful musical journey celebrating notable Black Canadian women in music. Krystle Dos Santos shares historically important stories about the underground railroad, civil rights movement, and key events in Black history while weaving in iconic songs from the eras in which these women lived and performed. Experience the music of talented and influential Black Canadian icons all while learning about their life and inspirations.

Celebrate International Women's Day with WCT fan-favourite Krystle Dos Santos (co-creator and performer of Hey Viola!) and her band for an evening of Canadian history and music unlike anything you've experienced before. Featuring songs and stories from a variety of classical and contemporary Canadian artists in an array of musical styles including spirituals, jazz, blues, soul, R&B, pop, and hip hop.

Creative Team

KRYSTLE DOS SANTOS Creator & Performer
JEN LEWIN Musical Director, Piano & Backing Vocals
GINGER CHEN PIMENTEL Bass
SUSANA WILLIAMS Drums, Percussion & Back Vocals

About the Performer:

Krystle Dos Santos is a 2x Western Canadian award-winning singer/songwriter and performer. Her award-winning self-titled album was released in 2008, followed by *Fame Fatale* in 2011. *BLOOM | BURN*, her 3rd studio release, awarded her the WCMA for R&B Artist of the Year in 2020. From singing on stage with Stevie Wonder and Michael Bublé to theatre performances on stages all around North America, Dos Santos brings her eclectic style, powerful vocal prowess, and magnetic charm to every performance she delivers.



Activities

Engaging in these Core Competencies: Communication, Creative Thinking, Critical Thinking, Positive Personal & Cultural Identity, Social Responsibility

1. This play discusses so many amazing and talented Black Canadian women in music – which artist do you find you listen to the most? Is this person/band from Canada, or from another country? Why do you think that is?
2. This play also coincides with International Women’s Day, an incredibly important day to acknowledge and celebrate. Is there a woman in your life that you look up to? Write a letter to them and show your appreciation!

More Information:

Krystle’s Website: www.krystledossantos.com

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