

"Dreamgirls" Musical Attendance

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In 1983, at the Los Angeles opening of the musical "Dreamgirls", "Entertainment Tonight" reporter Catherine Mann waylaid Jackson at the post-show party. When Mann asked Jackson what he thought of the show, he replied: "It was the most incredible play I've ever seen. It's brilliant. Everybody should see it."

Asked how close it was to the true story of the Supremes, he said, "Boy, I'd hate to comment on that 'cause Diana Ross is a very dear friend of mine. So, I better not say anything."

Asked what he might tell Ross about the show, he said, "Actually, she told me to see it for her. She *did*."