

Hive2 script | Norma | "Without Further Adieu" | June 2008

(3 taps on mic, adjusting stand)

(Clearing throat, ahem)

Thank you... Thanks everybody, you're too kind...

(nervous laugh)

First off, I'd like to say what a pleasure it is to be here and to part of this wonderful evening. Doesn't everybody look just great?! Many thanks to Glenn and everyone involved with Magnetic North, it's a fabulous festival and I'm excited--honoured, in fact--to stand here before you to introduce this exceptional person.

I'm a little nervous here, so please forgive me if I consult some notes.

(searching through pockets, pulling out paper)

_____ once said, " _____ "
(insert person) (insert quote)

Now that's short and sweet. But if you think about it, it's so profound. And true. And I think our speaker tonight knows something about simple words that speak volumes.

Now, I know you want to get to the main event, and me too. It's a packed house, the shows are great, and I think we're all enjoying ourselves...

(pointing to random people in the audience)

...Maybe some people a little more than others!

But seriously folks, let's raise our glasses for a toast: To life, love, happiness and many more nights like these to come. To your health!

(raise glass to audience, then to others on the stage, then take a sip of drink)

Whoo! They're mixing them strong tonight!

OK, without further adieu, put your hands together for: _____!!
(next in line)

(shake hands with person coming up to speak next)