

# Play opening draws the stars

**T**HE stars were out Thursday at the Founders Room at the Hobby Center for a private reception celebrating the opening of the play *It's Cheaper to Keep Her*, by Houston playwright **Je'Caryous Johnson**.

The play's stars, including actresses **Vivica Fox** and **Wendy Raquel Robinson**, comedian

**Jonathan Slocumb** and R&B crooner **Brian McKnight**, mingled with about 50 invited guests. They sampled tasty appetizers prepared by chef **Mark Hawkins**.

On the menu: boudin balls, cinnamon pork lettuce spoons, smoked chicken canapés and cheesecake brownies. The play, which began its run in Charlotte, N.C., earlier this month, closes in Dallas in May.

Also in the crowd: Former NFL player **Santana Dodson**, **Kym** and **Willard Jackson**, sisters **Lindsey** and **Ashley Vignaud**, **Elwyn Lee** and

A. Actress **Wendy Raquel Robinson** and comedian **Jonathan Slocumb**  
 B. Singer **Brian McKnight** and playwright **Je'Caryous Johnson**  
 C. **Kym** and **Willard Jackson**  
 D. **Percy** and **Cheryl Creuzot**  
 E. Actress **Vivica Fox** and **Vicky Pink**



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daughter **Erica Lee**, **Gerald Womack**, **Duni Hebron**, **Ty Houston**, **Cheryl** and **Percy Creuzot**, Bishop

**Shelton Bady**, **Willie Miles Jr.** and the **Rev. Reginald DeVaughn Sr.**

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# An equestrian gathering

**H**ORSE lovers headed out to Katy's Great Southwest Equestrian Center for the 65th season of the Pin Oak Charity Horse show benefiting Texas Children's Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House of Houston.



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