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MIM Music Theater Announces Summer 2019 Concert Series

PHOENIX (March 28, 2019) – The MIM Music Theater proudly announces its [Summer 2019 Concert Series](#), with tickets on sale to the public starting on April 4 at 10:00 a.m. The new series, running from May through September, includes more than thirty-five concerts spanning multiple genres across the globe.

Highlights this season include folk-pop singer-songwriter Brett Dennen, who is known for his feel-good lyrics and melodies. Grammy Award-winning Americana and folk singer-songwriter Patty Griffin will deliver a powerful performance that explores the universal emotions that bind people together. Sitar player and composer Anoushka Shankar, daughter of the late Ravi Shankar, will fuse together Indian classical techniques with popular sensibilities. Vocal quartet New York Voices will share their inspired jazz-fusion arrangements and unparalleled vocal blend.

The Summer 2019 Concert Series welcomes some artists who will be performing at the MIM Music Theater for the first time. New artists include country singer-songwriter Terry McBride; powerhouse bluegrass band Blue Highway; Orquesta Akokán, a Cuban band reminiscent of the great orchestras of Tito Puente and Machito; New Orleans brass band Cha Wa, which blends funk-laced beats with Mardi Gras traditions; and Sweet Honey in the Rock, a female a cappella ensemble rooted in African American history and culture.

Guests can also look forward to the return of several favorites to the MIM Music Theater, including blues pianist and singer-songwriter Marcia Ball, jazz singer and pianist Patricia Barber, Southern California country-rock singer-songwriter JD Souther, and deaf American singer-songwriter and *America's Got Talent* contestant Mandy Harvey.

The MIM Music Theater presents over 290 concerts per year and has had over 150 Grammy-winning artists perform on its stage. Within the span of only eight years, the theater has been recognized as one of the top music venues of its size, anywhere in the world. Audiences and musicians have praised its unparalleled intimate atmosphere and acoustically superb sound quality.

“We have been invited to some of the world’s greatest venues like the Sydney Opera House in Sydney, Australia, Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center in New York, and also the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. But I tell you one thing, this theater and this museum are second to none,” says Allen Bailey, founder of Harlem Gospel Choir.

Tickets went on sale to [members](#) who give \$250+ annually on Wednesday, March 27. *Circle of Friends* members starting at \$250 enjoy exclusive member benefits, including advance purchase opportunities for concerts and invitations to Concert Series Previews with MIM’s artistic director. Members who give \$500+ annually also receive 10 percent off concert tickets. Additional artists will be added to the lineup throughout the season. To get the latest

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announcements from the MIM Music Theater, visit MIM.org and sign up to receive concert newsletters.

2019 Concert Series is sponsored by Sanderson Lincoln.

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About MIM and the MIM Music Theater

The Musical Instrument Museum (MIM) enriches our world by collecting, preserving, and making accessible an astonishing variety of musical instruments and performance videos from every country in the world. MIM offers guests a welcoming and fun experience, incomparable interactive technology, dynamic programming, and exceptional musical performances. MIM fosters appreciation of the world's diverse cultures by showing how we innovate, adapt, and learn from each other to create music—the language of the soul.

In addition to hosting performances by renowned artists, the MIM Music Theater introduces guests to emerging talents from around the world. It has been called “the best 300-seat venue in the country” by Grammy-winner Shawn Colvin. Each performance is an extension of the museum's exhibits—showcasing the instruments, the people who play them, and the musical language we all share.

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Summer 2019 Concert Series Lineup

May 2019

Run Boy Run
Thu., May 2 | 7:30 p.m.

Lee Ann Womack
Fri., May 3 | 7:30 p.m.

MIM and the Phoenix Symphony Present Mozart
and Schubert Chamber Music Festival 3
Sat., May 4 | 2:00 & 7:30 p.m.

MIM and Arizona Musicfest Present the Young
Musicians Spring Concert
Sun., May 5 | 2:00 p.m.

Live from Laurel Canyon
Sun., May 5 | 7:00 p.m.
Mon., May 6 | 7:00 p.m.

Russell Schmidt Trio and the East Valley
Jazz Cooperative
With Lucas Pino
Tue., May 7 | 7:00 p.m.

Band 2
Featuring Tim Ries, Bernard Fowler, and Guests
Wed., May 8 | 7:00 p.m.

Rahim AlHaj and Sahba Motallebi
Thu., May 9 | 7:30 p.m.

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Marcia Ball
Fri., May 10 | 7:30 p.m.

Joanne Shaw Taylor
Sat., May 11 | 6:00 & 9:00 p.m.

Tom Rush
Sun., May 12 | 7:00 p.m.

Patricia Barber
Wed., May 15 | 7:00 p.m.

Brett Dennen
Thu., May 16 | 7:30 p.m.
Fri., May 17 | 7:30 p.m.

Terry McBride
Sat., May 25 | 7:30 p.m.

Davina and the Vagabonds
Thu., May 30 | 7:30 p.m.

June 2019

Joey DeFrancesco
Wed., Jun. 5 | 7:00 p.m.

Patty Griffin
Thu., Jun. 6 | 7:30 p.m.

JD Souther
Fri., Jun. 7 | 7:30 p.m.
Sat., Jun. 8 | 7:30 p.m.

Sona Jobarteh
Tue., Jun. 11 | 7:00 p.m.

The Cookers
Thu., Jun. 13 | 7:30 p.m.

Anoushka Shankar: *Land of Gold*
Sat., Jun. 15 | 7:00 & 9:00 p.m.

Blue Highway
Thu., Jun. 20 | 7:30 p.m.

Melissa Manchester
Sat., Jun. 22 | 6:00 & 8:00 p.m.

Orquesta Akokán
Mon., Jun. 24 | 7:00 p.m.

Rickie Lee Jones
Wed., Jun. 26 | 7:00 p.m.

Skerryvore
Thu., Jun. 27 | 7:30 p.m.

July 2019

Paris Chansons
Sat., Jul. 13 | 7:00 p.m.
Sun., Jul. 14 | 7:00 p.m.

Cha Wa
Tue., Jul. 16 | 7:00 p.m.

Mandy Harvey
Sat., Jul. 20 | 7:30 p.m.

Ranky Tanky
Sun., Jul. 21 | 7:00 p.m.

Guitar Masters
With Andy McKee, Trevor Gordon Hall,
and Calum Graham
Wed., Jul. 24 | 7:00 p.m.

Sweet Honey in the Rock
Sat., Jul. 27 | 7:30 p.m.

August 2019

New York Voices
Thu., Aug. 15 | 7:00 & 9:00 p.m.

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John Jorgenson Quintet
Thu., Aug. 22 | 7:30 p.m.

September 2019

Lucibela
Thu., Sep. 19 | 7:30 p.m.