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The MIM Music Theater Announces Summer 2023 Concert Series Tickets on sale to the public on March 30 at 10:00 a.m.

PHOENIX (March 17, 2023) — The MIM Music Theater is proud to announce its <u>Summer 2023</u> <u>Concert Series</u>, with tickets on sale to the public on Thursday, March 30, at 10:00 a.m. The series, which runs May through September, includes more than 30 concerts from multiple genres and features artists from around the world.

This season's highlights include Grammy-winning jazz guitarist <u>Al Di Meola</u>, Grammy-winning R&B singer <u>Peabo Bryson</u>, Phoenix-based rapper <u>Mega Ran</u>, legendary blues guitarist <u>Eric Gales</u>, and singer-songwriter <u>A. J. Croce</u>, who will be playing selections from the catalog of his father, influential folk musician Jim Croce.

The Summer 2023 Concert Series also welcomes several artists who will perform at the MIM Music Theater for the first time. New artists include Grammy-nominated jazz musician Chief Adjuah (formerly Christian Scott); dynamic orchestral trio the String Queens; Mighty Poplar, a new all-star roots project featuring Andrew Marlin of Watchhouse, Noam Pikelny and Chris Eldridge of the Punch Brothers, Greg Garrison of Leftover Salmon, and Alex Hargreaves, who performs with Billy Strings; and a special Frank Sinatra tribute led by new MIM artistic director Andrew Walesch and his orchestra.

Concertgoers can also look forward to the return of several favorites to the MIM Music Theater, including retro jazz singer and violinist Emmaline, platinum-selling songwriter Haley Reinhart, Grammy-winning vocal group the Manhattan Transfer, Grammy-nominated new age artist Ottmar Liebert and Luna Negra, and local jazz and R&B trio We3.

"The Summer 2023 Concert Series features a truly remarkable lineup," Walesch says. "The variety of artists and genres featured marks one of the most sonically diverse lineups in MIM's history. We are thrilled to present what is bound to be a wonderful summer full of unforgettable performances."

<u>Circle of Friends members</u> who give \$250 or more annually can by tickets at the <u>Summer 2023</u> <u>Concert Series Preview Event</u> on Thursday, March 23. Members who give \$250 or more enjoy exclusive member benefits, including advance purchase opportunities for concerts and invitations to Concert Series Preview Events with MIM's artistic director. Members who give \$500 or more annually also receive 10% off concert tickets.

Additional artists will be added to the lineup throughout the season. To get the latest announcements from the MIM Music Theater, sign up for concert newsletters at **MIM.org**.

2023 Concert Series sponsored by Sanderson Lincoln

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 2023 Concert Series Lineup

May 2023

We3 Featuring O.M.G.

Wed., May 3 | 7:00 p.m.

Haley Heynderickx Thu., May 4 | 7:30 p.m.

BoDeans

Fri., May 5 | 7:00 & 9:00 p.m.

Avery*Sunshine Sat., May 6 | 7:30 p.m.

Ottmar Liebert and Luna Negra Sun., May 7 | 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Billy Childs Quartet With Sean Jones Tue., May 9 | 7:00 p.m.

John Pizzarelli Thu., May 11 | 7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

Mighty Poplar
Featuring: Noam Pikelny and Chris Eldridge
(Punch Brothers), Andrew Marlin (Watchhouse),
and Greg Garrison (Leftover Salmon)
Fri., May 12 | 7:30 p.m.

Boss Tenors With Jerry Weldon and Doug Lawrence Sat., May 13 | 7:30 p.m.

The Manhattan Transfer Sun., May 14 | 6:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Mon., May 15 | 7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

Eric Andersen Tue., May 16 | 7:00 p.m.

Corey Harris and Cedric Watson Thu., May 18 | 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Walesch and His Orchestra My Way: The Sinatra Songbook Reimagined Sat., May 20 | 7:30 p.m.

Haley Reinhart Sun., May 21 | 7:00 p.m.

A. J. Croce Croce Plays Croce Sat., May 27 | 7:30 p.m. Sun., May 28 | 7:00 p.m.

June 2023

Jason Moran Fri., June 2 | 7:00 p.m.

Al Di Meola Sat., June 3 | 7:30 p.m. Sun., June 4 | 7:00 p.m.

Juan de Marcos and the Afro-Cuban All Stars Thu., June 8 | 7:30 p.m.

Emmaline Fri., June 9 | 7:30 p.m.

Junior Brown Thu., June 15 | 7:30 p.m.

Peabo Bryson Sat., June 17 | 6:00 & 8:00 p.m. Sun., June 18 | 5:00 & 7:00 p.m. Django Festival Allstars Wed., June 21 | 6:30 & 8:30 p.m.

Naturally 7 Thu., June 22 | 7:30 p.m.

July 2023

The Paul Thorn Band Sat., July 1 | 7:30 p.m.

An Evening with Jimmy Webb Thu., July 6 | 7:30 p.m. Fri., July 7 | 7:30 p.m.

Paris Chansons Fri., July 14 | 7:30 p.m. Sat., July 15 | 7:30 p.m.

Téada Mon., July 17 | 7:00 p.m.

The String Queens Tue., July 18 | 7:00 p.m.

Red Wanting Blue Tue., July 25 | 7:00 p.m.

August 2023

Eric Gales Tue., August 1 | 7:00 p.m.

The Kruger Brothers Sat., August 5 | 7:30 p.m.

Greg Howe Tue., August 8 | 7:00 p.m.

Mega Ran Album Release Sat., August 12 | 7:30 p.m.

Chief Adjuah (Formerly Christian Scott) Thu., August 31 | 7:30 p.m.

September 2023

Tab Benoit
Opening Act: The Rumble featuring Chief Joseph
Boudreaux Jr.
Tue., September 5 | 7:00 p.m.
Wed., September 6 | 7:00 p.m.

Martin Taylor and Biréli Lagrène Sun., September 10 | 7:00 p.m.

And many more! Programming is subject to change.