

Lancaster Performing Arts Center Announces 2016/17 Season Lineup

Burt Bacharach, Clint Black & Carlos Mencia Top Spectacular List of Headliners

Lancaster, CA. August 10, 2016 – Today, the Lancaster Performing Arts Center, celebrating 25 years of arts and entertainment, unveiled a spectacular 2016/17 season of shows with the help of Councilman Raj Malhi. The September 9th opening show will feature Emmy and Grammy award-winning comedienne Kathy Griffin, presenting her hilarious take on the Hollywood celebrity scene. A number of other headliners will also take center stage this season, including: country icon Clint Black; legendary composer and songwriter, Burt Bacharach; the eclectic little orchestra Pink Martini; Christian rock group Kutless; and the Cirque de Soleil-style Steampunk performance of Cirque Mechanics. The season will conclude May 20, 2017 with comedian, Carlos Mencia.

On November 22, 1991, the Lancaster Performing Arts Center (LPAC) opened to a full house with composer and conductor Henry Mancini, best known for the iconic theme song of the *Pink Panther* movies. The ensuing twenty-five years have solidified LPAC as the premier venue in the Antelope Valley for world-class entertainment.

“For a quarter of a century, the Performing Arts Center has been the cultural hub of downtown Lancaster, bringing a wealth of arts and entertainment to patrons from throughout the region,” said Lancaster Mayor R. Rex Parris. “This season, LPAC will continue this tradition with an outstanding lineup of song, dance, comedy, and family entertainment.”

The 2016/17 season is especially appealing to families, featuring a number of shows which attendees of all ages can enjoy. Such family-friendly choices include the Chinese troupe Shanghai Acrobats, the Stunt Dog Experience, two outstanding Christmas shows, the world-renowned Complexions Contemporary Ballet, a Night of Hypnosis and Illusion, and The Missoula Children’s Theatre performing *Rapunzel*.

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In addition, music fans will enjoy performances by country star Phil Vassar; high-energy R&B legends, Tower of Power; Beatles music performed by The Fab Four; The Irish Rovers; Pink Floyd tribute band, Which One's Pink; and Journey tribute band, DSB. These are just a few of the amazing entertainers coming to LPAC this season. It is important to note that many shows this season are priced at \$10 or less for students.

A complete list of 2016/17 performances can be found on LPAC's website, www.lpac.org, which boasts several new features this season, making purchasing tickets both online and via mobile devices more convenient for theater-goers. Patrons can now choose their own seats utilizing the seat map feature and then either print their tickets at home or download the tickets on their mobile device to be scanned at the door.

Tickets are available now with special packages, including Pick 6, Pick 10 and season-level subscription options, all of which provide patrons with discounts on their bulk ticket purchases. Visit www.lpac.org, call (661) 723-5950, or stop by in person at the LPAC Box Office, 750 W. Lancaster BLVD to get your tickets today.

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