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**Wells Fargo Center for the Arts
Celebrates The Holiday Season
with award-winning musical artists, comedy shows,
internationally renowned ballets, and holiday classics**

Upcoming events • November– December 2014

Tickets on sale now!

SANTA ROSA, CA (September 25, 2014) – After a thrilling fall season featuring a wide range of hit shows and exciting programs, **Wells Fargo Center for the Arts** celebrates this holiday season with an incredible array of performers, comedians and holiday classics. San Francisco’s renowned contemporary ballet company **Alonzo King LINES Ballet** kicks off November with an exhilarating one-night-only performance in the Ruth Finley Person Theater (50 Mark West Springs Road, Santa Rosa). Also this November, the hit interactive stage-show ***The Price Is Right Live*** and the improvised comedy show ***Whose Live Anyway?*** both based on the hit TV shows come to the stage in Santa Rosa.

The Center’s holiday lineup features award winning musical acts such as **Tedeschi Trucks Band**, **Vince Gill and The Time Jumpers**, **Preservation Hall Jazz Band with Allen Toussaint**, **Chrissie Hynde** and **Phillip Phillips**, as well as a distinctive range of humorists and comedic acts including **John Oliver**, **Brian Regan**, **Garrison Keillor** and **Mike Birbiglia**.

Families and audiences of all ages will enjoy **Peter Gros of Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom** as well as the annual Christmas production and traditional celebration of **Posada Navideña**. Other holiday performances include: **San Francisco Gay Men’s Chorus: Home For The Holidays**, **Celtic Woman: Home for Christmas - The Symphony Tour**, **The Symphony Pops Series performance of A Very Merry Holiday Pops featuring Five By Design**, **The Blind Boys of Alabama Christmas Show**, and a spectacular one-night-only performance of **Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker**.

Tickets for all performances are available by calling 707.546.3600, at wellsfargocenterarts.org or in person at 50 Mark West Springs Road in Santa Rosa.



**Rodney Strong Vineyards Dance Series presents
Alonzo King LINES Ballet**

Saturday, November 1, 2014 at 8 p.m. • \$45, \$39, \$32 and \$25
Pre-show discussion at 7pm

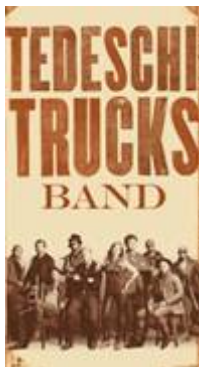
Alonzo King LINES Ballet of San Francisco is a celebrated contemporary ballet company that has been guided since 1982 by its distinctive global artistic vision. Collaborating with noted composers, musicians, and visual artists, Alonzo King creates works that draw on a diverse set of deeply rooted cultural traditions and imbue classical ballet with new expressive potential. Alonzo King's visionary choreography is renowned for its ability to connect audiences to a profound sense of shared humanity—of vulnerability and tenderness, but also of furious abandon and exhilarating freedom. In addition to its biannual home seasons, the Company enjoys tremendous success abroad in a show the San Francisco Chronicle describes as, "... one of the few bona fide visionaries in the ballet world today."

The Price Is Right Live!

Sunday, November 2, 2014 at 7 p.m. • \$45 and \$30



The Price Is Right Live! is the hit interactive stage show that gives contestants pulled right from the audience the chance to "Come On Down" to win appliances, vacations and even new cars by playing classic games from television's longest running and most popular game show. From Plinko™, to Cliffhangers™, to The Big Wheel™, and even the fabulous Showcase, all the favorite games are played just like the TV show. Playing to near sold-out audiences for nearly nine years, ***The Price Is Right Live!*** has given away more than 10 million dollars in cash and prizes and sold more than 1.2 million tickets.



Tedeschi Trucks Band with special guest Greyhounds

Wednesday, November 5, 2014 at 8 p.m. • \$69 and \$49

Formed in 2010 by husband-and-wife Derek Trucks and Susan Tedeschi, and featuring two harmony singers, a three-piece horn section, keyboards, bass and a pair of drummers, the roots-rock powerhouse **Tedeschi Trucks Band** (TTB) has toured the globe extensively co-headlining tours with B.B. King and The Black Crowes, and playing to packed houses in the world's most celebrated venues in a show that the *Boston Herald* says, "... booms like a soul thunderclap." **TTB's** debut release *Revelator*, produced at the couple's Swamp Raga home studio, earned both a Grammy and Blues Music Award. Currently, the band is touring in support of its second studio effort, *Made up Mind*, which entered the Billboard 200 at #11.



Peter Gros of Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom

Friday, November 7, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. • \$21 Adult, \$16 Child
Free show arts & crafts begin at 5:30 p.m.

Peter Gros, former co-host and current ambassador of Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom (currently airing on Animal Planet), shares his exciting animal world, travel experiences, and timeless tales. He highlights his many adventures with a mix of video clips and bloopers while introducing friendly, exotic animals to audience members, and telling inspirational stories dealing with issues of conservation and wildlife filming. Gros is a popular guest on the talk show circuit, having appeared on The Tonight Show, Live with Kelly and Michael and many others.

Join us for a post-show autograph session with Peter Gros!



An Evening with Vince Gill and The Time Jumpers

Saturday, November 8, 2014 8 p.m. • \$59 and \$49

Formed in 1998 by a group of Nashville's recording studio elite, The Time Jumpers consists of a who's who of country music including Brad Albin (upright bass), Larry Franklin (fiddle), Paul Franklin (steel guitar), Vince Gill (vocals, electric and acoustic guitars), "Ranger Doug" Green (vocals, acoustic rhythm guitar), Andy Reiss (electric guitar), Dawn Sears (vocals), Kenny Sears (vocals, fiddle), Joe Spivey (fiddle, vocals), Jeff Taylor (accordion, piano) and Billy Thomas (drums, vocals).



Whose Live Anyway?

Saturday, November 15, 2014 8 p.m. • \$59 and \$39

Whose Live Anyway? is a 90-minute show of hilarious improvised comedy and song all based on audience suggestions. Ryan Stiles, Greg Proops, Jeff B. Davis, and special guest Joel Murray from "Mad Men" will leave you gasping for breath with the very witty scenes and songs they invent before your eyes! *Whose Live* performs games made famous on the Emmy-nominated TV show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?"—and a few new ones, too!

Visit the artist's website at whoseliveanyway.com

Performers subject to change.



Preservation Hall Jazz Band with Allen Toussaint

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 8 p.m. • \$45, \$39, \$32 and \$25
Pre-show discussion at 7 p.m.

Allen Toussaint is an American musician, songwriter and record producer, and one of the most influential figures in New Orleans R&B. Toussaint has crossed many paths in his illustrious 40 years plus career in music. He has produced, written for, arranged, had his songs covered by, and performed with music giants The Judds, Paul McCartney, Paul Simon, Elvis Costello, Patti LaBelle, Mac "Dr. John" Rebennack, Aaron and Art Neville, Joe Cocker, The (original) Meters, Glen Campbell, The Band, Little Feat, The Rolling Stones, Devo, Ernie K-Doe, Lee Dorsey, Irma Thomas, Etta James, Ramsey Lewis, Eric Gale and countless others.

Preservation Hall was founded in 1961 to promote traditional New Orleans jazz in all its authenticity. Legendary players like George Lewis, Sweet Emma Barrett and Kid Thomas Valentine, all rooted in the formative years jazz, were its original stars. That generation is long gone now, yet the hall is still in business and the Preservation Hall Jazz Band continues to tour the world.



Live Nation presents John Oliver

Friday, November 21, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. (sold out) and 10 p.m. • \$45

Making his Santa Rosa debut, comedian John Oliver, best known from HBO's hit series "Last Week Tonight with John Oliver," and Comedy Central's "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," is an Emmy and Writer's Guild Award winning writer who The Onion describes as "... a master storyteller, stringing jokes together so tightly that not a syllable falls out of place!" Oliver, who first came to prominence as a cutting-edge political stand up in the UK, won the Breakout Award at the Aspen Comedy Festival in 2007 and went on to write and star in his first hour long Comedy Central stand up special "John Oliver: Terrifying Times in 2008."

After co-writing and guest starring for many seasons on Comedy Central's Emmy Award winning sensation "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," Oliver now hosts the hit HBO show, "Last Week Tonight with John Oliver," which presents a satirical look at the week in news, politics and current events. On his occasional breaks from television, John returns to his first love of stand-up and plays to sold out venues across the US.



The 9th Annual Chris-Mix

Sunday, November 30, 2014 7 p.m. • \$30 and \$20

A night of acoustic music starring American Authors, Uncle Kracker, The Voice 2013 Runner Up Jacquie Lee and more! Enjoy a night of great music all while fighting cancer with a special on site silent auction for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society!



An Evening with Garrison Keillor

Wednesday, December 3, 2014 8 p.m. • \$75, \$65 and \$49

America's foremost humorist and social pundit, Garrison Keillor brings his wonderful, dry sense of humor to the stage in Santa Rosa. True to his radio form, humorist celebrity speaker Keillor shares hilarious anecdotes about growing up in the American Midwest, the people of Lake Wobegon and "late-life fatherhood"—all delivered with his signature class, charisma and wisdom.



A Night with Chrissie Hynde

Thursday, December 4, 2014 8 p.m. • \$59 and \$49

In her Santa Rosa debut, Chrissie Hynde will be performing Pretenders' hits and songs from the first ever album under her own name, Stockholm. In June of 2014, Chrissie Hynde released Stockholm which was recorded at Ingrid Studios with co-writer, guitarist and producer Bjorn Yttling (Peter, Bjorn and John) and features contributions from Neil Young, John McEnroe and Joakim Ahlund of the Caesars. The songs – 11 in total, including the lead-off single "Dark Sunglasses" and album opener, "You or No One," mix strong pop hooks with emotional and incisive lyrics. As Chrissie herself describes it - "I wanted to make a power pop album you could dance to - Abba meets John Lennon."



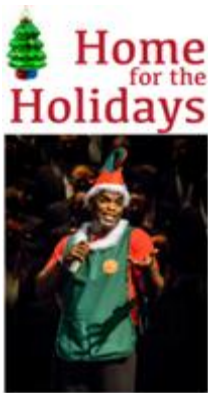
Live Nation presents Brian Regan Live Comedy Tour

Friday, December 5, 2014 7:30PM and 10 p.m. • \$49.75 and \$45.75

Brian Regan has distinguished himself as one of the premier comedians in the country and returns to Santa Rosa after a SOLD OUT appearance in 2013. The perfect balance of sophisticated writing and physicality, Brian fills theaters nationwide with fervent fans that span generations.

Brian has starred in two hour-long Comedy Central specials and released three DVD's and two CD's. His non-stop theater tour has visited more than 80 cities each year since 2005; it's the quality of his material, relatable to a wide audience which continues to grow Brian's fan base.

Visit the artist's website at BrianRegan.com



San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus: *Home For The Holidays*

Saturday, December 6, 2014 7:30 p.m. • \$50, \$40, and \$25

The San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus celebrate the holiday season with ***Home for the Holidays***, an unforgettable festive experience, featuring the wildly talented and gorgeous male string quartet, **Well-Strung** at the Nourse Theatre (275 Hayes St, San Francisco). The 300 men of the chorus will showcase season favorites and outrageous surprises that are sure to leave audiences filled with the holiday spirit.

In the spirit of the season, a portion of the proceeds from the concert will also benefit Sonoma's own Face to Face working to end HIV in Sonoma County and support those living with HIV/AIDS.



Celtic Woman: Home for Christmas - The Symphony Tour

Tuesday, December 9, 2014 8 p.m. • \$85, \$75, and \$59

Celtic Woman celebrates the holiday season with *Home for Christmas—The Symphony Tour*, an unparalleled musical experience, with Celtic Woman performing timeless holiday songs accompanied by a full symphony orchestra. The concert features music from the all-female music ensemble's second Christmas album, *Home for Christmas* and their brand new live concert DVD, *Home for Christmas: Live from Dublin*. Since their 2005 debut on Public Television, Irish sensation Celtic Woman has emerged as both a spectacular commercial success and a genuine cultural phenomenon, selling more than nine million copies of its releases around the world, achieving platinum-level sales in nine countries, and performing for nearly three million fans worldwide including the White House and high-profile shows such as *Dancing with the Stars*.



Mike Birbiglia: *Thank God for Jokes*

Thursday, December 11, 2014 8 p.m. • \$49 and \$35

Award-winning comedian, actor, and filmmaker Mike Birbiglia returns to the stage with more painfully awkward stories in his all-new show about jokes, and how they can get you in trouble. Join Mike as he gets arrested in New Jersey, screamed at by a famous director, heckled by Statler and Waldorf, and attacked by zombie rodents. Ira Glass of public radio's *This American Life* writes "Birbiglia's stories are even funnier live than they are on the radio." *Time Magazine* calls Birbiglia "master of the personal, embarrassing tale." *The New York Times* describes him as a "supremely enjoyable monologist."



Phillip Phillips

Friday, December 12, 2014 8:00PM • \$59 and \$49

Phillip Phillips, one of the hottest artists on the scene today, makes his debut in Santa Rosa featuring many of the former *American Idol* star's biggest hits. The quadruple-platinum "Home," one of the biggest singles of 2012, introduced Phillip Phillips as a singer/guitarist of both rare authenticity and massive pop appeal. Centering on the *American Idol* season 11 winner's rich, raspy vocals and masterful guitar skills, "Home" served as the lead single from *The World from the Side of the Moon* (19 Entertainment/Interscope Records)—a platinum-selling album that shot to #4 on the *Billboard* Top 200 Album chart upon its November 2012 release. Phillips's widely acclaimed debut also features the platinum single "Gone, Gone, Gone" and the Phillips' penned "Where We Came From," as well as a host of numbers that flaunt the 23-year-old Georgia native's songwriting chops. Phillips spent most of 2013 on the road - with Matchbox 20, his own college headline tour and most recently he brought his rootsy brand of rock-and-roll to arenas around the country as the opening act for singer/songwriter superstar John Mayer's *Born and Raised* tour



Symphony Pops: A Very Merry Holiday Pops featuring Five By Design

Sunday, December 14, 2014 3 p.m. • \$80, \$61, \$50 and \$37

Pre-concert discussion at 2 p.m.

A holiday tradition returns! Join the Santa Rosa Symphony and renowned vocal quintet Five By Design for an afternoon of uplifting and multicultural holiday music from traditional to swing to rock that's perfect for the whole family.

Free Pre-Concert Talks:

Join Principal Pops Conductor Michael Berkowitz one hour prior to every concert for a discussion of the afternoon's concert, along with personal anecdotes and memories from his storied career working on Broadway and with Liza Minnelli, Henry Mancini, and Marvin Hamlisch among many others.

Rodney Strong Vineyards Dance Series

Posada Navideña

Friday, December 19, 2014 7 p.m. • \$10 Adults/Adults, \$5 Children/Niños

Experience the wonderful folk culture of Mexico and its unique customs and traditions during this Christmas production and traditional Posada celebration. This traditional Mexican holiday presentation portrays the "Pastorela" (pilgrimage) made by Joseph and Mary before the birth of Christ. Featuring traditional Mexican folkloric dances and music performed by dancers and musicians from Sacramento's renowned Compañía Mazatlán Bellas Artes, this performance will make you feel as if you've been transported to Mexico for an uplifting dose of the beautiful culture and customs of Mexico past and present.



Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker

Saturday, December 20, 2014 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. • Platinum \$181, VIP \$108, \$74, \$54, \$43.50 and \$33.50

Moscow Ballet's spectacular Great Russian Nutcracker is the must-see event this Holiday season! Celebrate the beloved Christmas tradition with the whole family as forty world-class Russian artists bring this charming classic to life. The New York Times raves "Knock Out!" Experience Tchaikovsky's master score this Christmas with the magic of larger than-life-puppets, growing Christmas Trees and life-sized Matrushka Dolls!

More at nutcracker.com



The Blind Boys of Alabama Christmas Show

Sunday, December 21, 2014 8 p.m. • \$35 and \$28

The Blind Boys of Alabama, recognized worldwide as living legends of gospel music, will perform selections from their upcoming Christmas album along with Christmas classics and other gems from a 70-plus-year career. Celebrated by the Grammys and The National Endowment for the Arts with Lifetime Achievement Awards, inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame, sung for two presidents in the White House and winners of five Grammy Awards, they have attained the highest levels of achievement, and show no signs of slowing down.

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About Wells Fargo Center for the Arts

A 501(c)(3) non-profit arts and events center, Wells Fargo Center for the Arts is home to world-class performances, nationally recognized education programs, contemporary visual art, and many popular civic events. The Arts Center is located in the heart of the Sonoma wine country and ranked among California's top performing arts presenters. Together with its resident companies, the Center presents more than 100 performances in music, dance, theater, renowned speakers, and comedy; provides education programs serving 30,000 children and adults; and hosts more than 1,000 community events a year. Owned and operated by the Luther Burbank Memorial Foundation, the Center relies on charitable community donations to achieve its mission – to enrich, educate, and entertain. www.wellsfargocenterarts.org