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**WELLS FARGO CENTER FOR THE ARTS WELCOMES
HARRY CONNICK, JR. ON HIS SUMMER CONCERT TOUR
SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015**

Multi-talented musician, singer, songwriter and American Idol judge to perform 20+ city tour nationwide including stop in Santa Rosa

Tickets on sale Friday, April 10, 2015 at Noon

Santa Rosa, CA (April 7, 2015) – Following a successful winter tour and his second season as a judge on *American Idol*, **Harry Connick, Jr.** announced a 20+ city summer concert tour including a stop in Santa Rosa at **Wells Fargo Center for the Arts on Sunday, July 12, 2015**. Tickets for Harry Connick, Jr. are \$129 and \$89 and go on sale **Friday, April 10, 2015 at noon**. They will be available online at wellsfargocenterarts.org, by calling 707-546-3600, and in person at the box office at 50 Mark West Springs Road in Santa Rosa.

The shows will feature music from Connick's vast musical catalog, including songs from his most recent releases "Smokey Mary" and "Every Man Should Know." To date, Connick has released 29 albums, won three Grammy Awards and two Emmy Awards, and garnered sales of 28 million albums.

With "Every Man Should Know," Connick triumphs once again, with a depth of feeling that signals another milestone for one of the music world's most multi-faceted artists. Critics have been quick to agree with *People Magazine* calling it "impressive," and the *Boston Globe* saying the album features "his most thoughtful and personal songs to date" and says its "an album that every Harry Connick, Jr. fan should own."

Connick recently returned for a second year as judge on *American Idol*, with season 14 of the show currently airing on FOX. Since his addition to the judges' panel, critics and fans alike have praised Connick's contributions to the show, with *Variety* proclaiming that Connick "brings fun back to *American Idol*," and *Entertainment Weekly* raving that he brings a "frank honesty but also lighthearted energy" to the show, "offering thoughtful critiques" resulting in a "fun, rollicking viewing experience." Regarding his debut as a judge in season 13, *USA Today* stated that "Connick deserves most of the praise for what promises to be a creative turnaround for *Idol*... While Connick can be as tough as he needs to be, he's also charming, engaging and, when he wants to be, hysterically funny.

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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.

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