

Trafalgar Releasing to bring *The Music Center Presents Joni 75: A Birthday Celebration* honoring Joni Mitchell to cinemas across the US and Canada on February 7 for one night only

Emmylou Harris, Norah Jones, Diana Krall, Kris Kristofferson, Los Lobos with La Marisoul, Cesar Castro & Xochi Flores, Graham Nash, Seal, James Taylor, and Rufus Wainwright among performances included in this exclusive cinema event

DENVER – January 9, 2019 - Honoring one of the world's most revered artists, **Joni Mitchell**, on her 75th birthday, *The Music Center Presents Joni 75: A Birthday Celebration* brings an incredible array of singers and musicians to cinemas across the US and Canada for a one-night-only celebration on February 7, 2019 in collaboration with global event cinema distributor Trafalgar Releasing and The Music Center, Los Angeles' premiere performing arts center.

Captured live at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, this special event features **Brandi Carlile; Glen Hansard; Emmylou Harris; Norah Jones; Chaka Khan; Diana Krall; Kris Kristofferson; Los Lobos with La Marisoul, Cesar Castro & Xochi Flores; Graham Nash; James Taylor; Seal; and Rufus Wainwright**, who will perform many of Mitchell's songs including *A Case of You; Both Sides, Now; Down To You; For The Roses; The Boho Dance; and Two Grey Rooms; among others*. Co-musical directors, providing the musical arrangements for the show, are percussionist **Brian Blade**, who recorded three studio albums and toured extensively with Mitchell, and, pianist, composer, arranger producer **Jon Cowherd**.

Tickets for *The Music Center Presents Joni 75: A Birthday Celebration* will be on sale beginning today at joni75.com or at participating theater box offices.

A music icon whose work continues to inspire generations of artists, Mitchell performed on the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion stage in 1972 and 1974, with the *Los Angeles Times* describing her 1972 concert as "Joni Mitchell in a Giant Living Room."

With nine Grammy® awards to her name and 16 Grammy nominations, Mitchell's catalogue of music spans more than five decades. In 2017, Mitchell's 1971 album *Blue* was named number one on National Public Radio's list of the 150 greatest albums made by women. Her work has no boundaries and crosses genres from Folk and Pop, to Jazz and World Music. Mitchell is also a prolific painter and was once quoted as saying, "I'm a painter first, and a musician second." While Mitchell hails from Canada, she has called Los Angeles home for decades.

"We are thrilled to bring audiences together in movie theaters across North America to experience this magical evening," said Trafalgar Releasing SVP of Programming Kymberli Frueh. "The incredible talent featured in this concert is a true testament to the impact that Joni has had on musicians and fans alike."

"We were so grateful to join with these incredible artists to honor Joni, an artist who pushed boundaries to reframe what songwriting and vocal music could be," said Rachel Moore, president and CEO, The Music Center. "And now that the concert will be shown nationwide

by our partners at Trafalgar Releasing, so many more people will have the chance to witness this once-in-a-lifetime concert celebration.”

“Joni 75: A Birthday Celebration” CD is available for pre-order now at <https://Verve.lnk.to/Joni75/amazon>

EPK for *The Music Center Presents Joni 75: A Birthday Celebration* available here: <https://thinkjam.box.com/s/00ib2g11vhtx9e062qkukuc30qu61qir>

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About Trafalgar Releasing

Trafalgar Releasing is an award-winning, market leader in global event distribution, working in partnership to unite audiences with entertainment and the arts. Trafalgar Releasing is an integral part of Trafalgar Entertainment Group.

Since its launch in 2006, Trafalgar Releasing (formerly operating as Picturehouse Entertainment) brings special events to the big screen around the world. Our theatre slate includes the Tony award-winning *The King & I: From The London Palladium*, Michael Grandage's acclaimed production *Red* starring Alfred Molina, *Funny Girl The Musical* starring Sheridan Smith, the Olivier and Tony award winning *An American in Paris: The Musical*, *The Rocky Horror Show Live*, Kenneth Branagh Theatre Company's live season and *Monty Python Live* (mostly).

Trafalgar Releasing works with some of the world's most renowned houses & companies; distributing high-profile arts content to cinemas worldwide from the Royal Shakespeare Company and the Royal Opera House. Additionally distributing in the UK, content from the Bolshoi Ballet, Glyndebourne and The Metropolitan Opera.

Our music slate includes Coldplay: *A Head Full of Dreams* (directed by Mat Whitecross), *Burn the Stage: the Movie* (the first feature length film from K-Pop band BTS), Muse: *Drones World Tour*, Sophie Fiennes' *Grace Jones: Bloodlight and Bami*, David Gilmour *Live at Pompeii*, Roger Waters *The Wall*, Rammstein: *Paris* and *Black Sabbath: The End of The End*, alongside our collaboration with Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds; *Distant Sky – Live in Copenhagen*, *One More Time with Feeling* (directed by Andrew Dominik) & *20,000 Days on Earth*.

In addition, Trafalgar Releasing has distributed award winning feature films including Paul Verhoeven's Academy Award nominee and Golden Globe winner, *Elle*, starring Isabelle Huppert, BAFTA winner *The Imposter*; *The Lobster*, starring Colin Farrell and Rachel Weisz; *Green Room* with Patrick Stewart; *Todd Solondz', Wiener-Dog*, starring Greta Gerwig and Danny DeVito and *Swiss Army Man* with Daniel Radcliffe.

About The Music Center

The Music Center is Los Angeles' home to the world's greatest artistic programs and events with four iconic theatres and an outdoor plaza. In addition to its four-renowned resident companies - Center Theatre Group, the Los Angeles Master Chorale, LA Opera and LA Phil - The Music Center presents an international dance series, free and low-cost public programming and special events and activities for all ages. From its early days, The Music Center has been a pioneer in arts education and offers a multi-faceted program from K-12. With *The Music Center On Location*,™ the non-profit performing arts organization brings programming to locations outside of its Downtown Los Angeles campus. The Music Center also programs and manages Grand Park, a 12-acre adjacent greenspace, with year-round free programming. For more information, visit musiccenter.org. Follow The Music Center on Twitter and Instagram @MusicCenterLA and on Facebook at facebook.com/musiccenterla.

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