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# NETFLIX AND COMEDY CENTRAL STAR HANNIBAL BURESS MAKES HIS MERRIAM THEATER DEBUT ON THE KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS MAY 19, 2018

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** (Philadelphia, PA, March 19, 2018) — Wildly popular comedian, writer, and adored actor **Hannibal Buress** comes to the Kimmel Center's Merriam Theater on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. Buress is a critic and fan favorite on the big and small screens, and is praised by *The New York Times* as one of the most "supremely gifted and respected' comics around after his first national stand-up tour sold out.

"Hannibal Buress has charmed audiences since emerging onto the comedy scene in 2009 on *Saturday Night Live*," said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. "His quirky personality shines through everything he does, from comedy specials to animated movies. The Kimmel Center is thrilled to have him perform on our Campus."

Emerging as a true comedy superstar, his talents are spread across an array of entertainment platforms. His third hour stand-up special *Comedy Camisado* is currently streaming on Netflix. He is a current cast member on Comedy Central's hit series *Broad City*, as well as a longtime co-host of Adult Swim's *The Eric Andrew Show.* On the big screen, he recently appeared in the comedy feature *Daddy's Home* alongside Will Farrell and Mark Wahlberg, wrapped up *Baywatch* and *Spider-Man: Homecoming*, and has lent his voice to the animated films *The Secret Life of Pets* and *Angry Birds*.

Other featured upcoming performances at the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus include: **Bill Murray, Jan Vogler & Friends:** *New Worlds* (April 4, 2018, Academy of Music), **Capitol Steps:** *Orange is the New Barack* (April 6-7, 2018, Perelman Theater), **Jerry Seinfeld** (April 7, 2018, Academy of Music), *An Evening with Jay Leno* (May 19, 2018, Academy of Music), and *Men Are From Mars – Woman Are From Venus LIVE!* (June 23, 2018, Perelman Theater).

### HANNIBAL BURESS

**Merriam Theater** *May 19, 2018, 8:00 p.m.* 

### Tickets

Tickets are on sale now and start at \$30.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999, online at <u>www.kimmelcenter.org</u>, or at the Kimmel Center Box Office. Group sales are available for groups of 10 or more and can be purchased by calling 215-790-5883. See <u>www.kimmelcenter.org</u> for more information.

### The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, the Kimmel Center's mission is to operate a world-class performing arts center that engages and serves a broad audience through diverse programming, arts education, and community outreach. The Kimmel Center Campus is comprised of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, SEI Innovation Studio, and the Merck Arts Education Center), the Academy of Music (owned by the Philadelphia Orchestra Association), and the Merriam Theater. The Kimmel Center is also home to eight Resident Companies: The Philadelphia Orchestra, Opera Philadelphia, The Pennsylvania Ballet, The Philly POPS, PHILADANCO, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society and Curtis Institute of Music. With nearly 9,000 seats per night, The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts is the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank, is the season sponsor of the Kimmel Center's 2017-2018 Season. American Airlines is the official airline of Broadway Philadelphia. For additional information, visit <u>www.kimmelcenter.org</u>.

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