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EMMY® AWARD-WINNING WRITER AND COMEDIAN JOHN MULANEY BRINGS HIGHLY-ANTICIPATED NEW TOUR KID GORGEOUS TO THE KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS FOR THREE SHOWS DECEMBER 1 & 2

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, October 18, 2017) — The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, in association with Live Nation, welcomes John Mulaney to the Academy of Music on Friday, December 1, 2017 and Saturday, December 2, 2017. Best known for his work on *Saturday Night Live*, Mulaney's much-anticipated new tour, *Kid Gorgeous*, quickly reached capacity at the Kimmel Center, prompting a second and third show to be added.

"John Mulaney's impressive résumé sparks contagious laughter at every turn," said Anne Ewers President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. "His smart, witty approach to humor resonates with comedy fans worldwide and is a wonderful addition to our expansive comedic offerings this season."

John Mulaney is an Emmy® Award-winning writer and comedian. He most recently starred in the Broadway hit, *Oh, Hello on Broadway*, alongside Nick Kroll. In 2015, Mulaney released his third stand-up special, a Netflix Original titled *The Comeback Kid*, which the AV Club called "his best hour of his career." He began his career in New York's East Village and has since toured around the world. In 2008, he began

writing at *Saturday Night Live* where he appeared as a *Weekend Update* correspondent and co-created characters such as Stefon with Bill Hader. He currently writes for IFC's *Documentary Now* and for Netflix's *Big Mouth* on which he voices the character of Andrew. Mulaney's first comedy album, *The Top Part*, was released in 2009. He released his second Comedy Central special and album *New In Town* in 2012. Upon review, Ken Tucker of *Entertainment Weekly* hailed Mulaney as "one of the best stand-up comics alive."

Other featured upcoming performances at the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus include: **Mike Birbiglia's** *The New One* (November 17 & 18, 2017, Merriam Theater), **An Evening with Brian Reed** (December 17, 2017, Merriam Theater), **Paula Poundstone** (January 11, 2018, Merriam Theater), and **Sam Harris** (January 14, 2018, Merriam Theater).

JOHN MULANEY: KID GORGEOUS

Academy of Music

December 1, 2017, 7:00 p.m. December 1, 2017, 10:00 p.m. December 2, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Tickets:

Tickets are on sale now and start at \$29.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999, online at <u>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>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 kimmelcenter.org.

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