

THE KIMMEL CENTER ACADEMY OF MUSIC MERRIAM THEATER

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Sing and dance with your favorite characters in the family-friendly musical phenomenon, #NickJrLive! "Move to the Music" at the Academy of Music, 2/8-2/9! This high energy show is part of 19-20 @KimmelCenter Family Discovery Series. Info at KimmelCenter.org.

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KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS INVITES FAMILIES TO GET THE PARTY STARTED WITH NICK JR. LIVE! "MOVE TO THE MUSIC" AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC FEBRUARY 8 – 9, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, December 19, 2019) – The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus, in association with Nickelodeon and VStar Entertainment Group, invites audiences to sing, dance, clap, cheer, and move to the music when the unforgettable musical spectacular, *Nick Jr. Live! "Move to the Music,"* hits the Academy of Music stage on Saturday, February 8, 2020 and Sunday, February 9, 2020. For the first time ever live on stage, the new musical brings together the beloved characters from popular preschool animated series *Bubble Guppies, PAW Patrol, Dora The Explorer, Shimmer and Shine, Blue's Clues and You, Blaze and the Monster Machines*, and *Top Wing*. This musical extravaganza is perfect for the whole family!

Nick Jr. Live! "Move to the Music" follows Dora and her PAW Patrol co-hosts, Marshall and Rubble, as they team up with their Nick Jr. friends, in a one-of-a-kind adventure. The show will transport audiences to familiar Nick Jr. locations, including Bubbletucky and Zahramay Falls, and includes two acts, along with an intermission. The unforgettable musical adventure, produced by Nickelodeon and VStar Entertainment Group, will feature live appearances, special on-screen guests and audience participation.

"While curating the Family Discovery Series, we select shows that entertain and educate, with the intent of cultivating arts fans from a young age," said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. "Through upcoming presentations like Nick Jr. Live, Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood, and Charlie Brown Christmas Live on Stage, characters that some of us have only experienced on a screen are brought to life onstage – sparking joy, imagination, creativity, and happiness in our littlest arts lovers through our seasoned theater-goers."

As part of the Family Discovery Series, sponsored by Santander, *Nick Jr. Live! "Move to the Music"* is eligible for 3-show packages starting at just \$10 per show. Other shows in the series include: *A Charlie Brown Christmas Live on Stage* (December 20 – 21, 2019, Merriam Theater), *Cirque Dreams: Holidaze* (December 26 – 29, 2019, Merriam Theater), *DRUMline Live* (January 10 – 11, 2020, Merriam Theater), *Riverdance – New 25th Anniversary Show* (January 21 – 26, 2020, Merriam Theater), *MasterChef Junior Live!* (March 11, 2020, Merriam Theater), *Ballet Folclòrico Nacional de México de SILVIA LOZANO* (March 12, 2020, Merriam Theater), *Cashore Marionettes: Simple Gifts* (March 21, 2020, Verizon Hall), *Wild Kratts Live 2.0 – Activate Creature Power!* (April 18, 2020, Merriam Theater), and *Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood LIVE!* (May 9, 2020, Merriam Theater).

NICK JR. LIVE! "MOVE TO THE MUSIC"

Kimmel Center Cultural Campus' Academy of Music February 8, 2020, 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. February 9, 2020, 10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

Tickets

Tickets are on sale now starting at \$30.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999, online at www.kimmelcenter.org, 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 www.kimmelcenter.org for more information.

Join the Nick Jr. Live! VIP Experience!

- Premium main floor seating in one of the first few rows
- Meet and Greet with Dora the Explorer and Rubble from PAW Patrol*
- Exclusive photo opportunity with Blaze from Blaze and the Monster Machines
- VIP merchandise item, souvenir lanyard and more!

Each adult & child (aged 1 & up) must have a VIP ticket. For all shows, including those designated as Family-friendly, all audience members, including babes in arms, require a ticket.

About VStar Entertainment Group

VStar Entertainment Group is a leading entertainment company and producer of unforgettable live experiences for audiences in the U.S. and internationally. From concept through activation, VStar imagines and creates custom tours featuring original content, and licensed, branded tours that provide highly engaging entertainment for fans of all ages. With nearly four decades of expertise in all aspects of event production and management, VStar delivers turnkey, in-house solutions for theatrical shows, interactive exhibits and brand activations. VStar also creates custom-fabricated mascots and costumes, large-scale sets, scenery and 3-D installations, serving as a valued resource for professional sports teams, Fortune 500 companies and experiential marketing agencies. Acquired in 2018 by global live

^{*}VIP Meet and Greet characters subject to change.

entertainment leader, Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group, VStar has presented more than 39,000 live performances across 40 countries and entertains nearly two million guests annually. Current VStar tours include PAW Patrol Live!, and Cirque Dreams. Previous VStar (formerly VEE Corporation) productions include Sesame Street Live, Barney, Bear in the Big Blue House, Curious George, Dragon Tales, Discover the Dinosaurs: Time Trek, and Kidz Bop Live! For more information, visit www.vstarentertainment.com.

The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1 million guests per year and includes the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, the Academy of Music, and the Merriam Theater- representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to eight esteemed Resident Companies: The Philadelphia Orchestra, Opera Philadelphia, 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, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and sociallyresponsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank, is our proud sponsor of the Kimmel Center's 2019-2020 Season. American Airlines is the official airline of Broadway Philadelphia. For additional information, visit www.kimmelcenter.org.

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