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**CELEBRATE THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE RELEASE OF THE
SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND ALBUM!**

***RAIN: A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES* RETURNS TO THE ACADEMY OF
MUSIC ON THE KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS**

MARCH 23 – 25!



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, January 17, 2018) – Join ***RAIN: A Tribute to the Beatles*** as they celebrate the 50th anniversary of the release of *The Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* album. The band returns to Philadelphia on March 23 – March 25 at the Academy of Music on the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus.

"You don't have to be a theater fan to be excited about the return of ***RAIN*** to our Cultural Campus," said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. "We are thrilled to help celebrate the 50-Year Anniversary of this iconic album as *RAIN* expertly performs the music of one of the greatest rock bands in history."

As "the next best thing to seeing The Beatles!" (*Associated Press*), *RAIN* performs the full range of The Beatles' discography live onstage, including the most complex and challenging songs that The Beatles themselves recorded in the studio but never performed for an audience. In addition to the updated sets that include brand new LED, high-definition screens, and multimedia

content, *RAIN* will bring the *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* album to life in its entirety with the launch of the 2018 tour.

Together longer than The Beatles, *RAIN* has mastered every song, gesture, and nuance of the legendary foursome, delivering a totally live, note-for-note performance that's as infectious as it is transporting. Let *RAIN* take you back with all of the songs from *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* along with all of your other Beatles favorites such as "I Want to Hold Your Hand," "Hard Day's Night," "Let It Be," "Come Together," "Hey Jude," and more! This adoring tribute will take you back to a time when all you needed was love and a little help from your friends!

Audiences are RAVING about ***RAIN: A Tribute to the Beatles!***

"Who said Sgt. Peppers couldn't be done live? Rain made it happen! I've seen a few Beatles tribute band, Rain is THE one to see!"

"Doing all of Sgt. Pepper in a 50-year tribute to the best band ever, The Beatles, is an incredible undertaking. The Beatles themselves never undertook doing these songs live. You nailed it!"

"At the show last night, INCREDIBLE. The show was flawless. Enjoyed every minute."

"These guys nail it, the best tribute band out there, I've seen pretty much everyone, and these guys are spot on!"

"Had to remind myself this was a tribute band. The sound, the look, it doesn't take much to let yourself go and imagine you are back in time watching the Beatles. GREAT SHOW!"

"Yes, Yes, Yes! I have seen this show about 10 times and it never disappoints!"

"There are few tribute bands that can capture the experience and sound of the original, definitely 5 star!"

"I felt like I was at an actual concert back in the 60's. Will never forget our experience seeing the show. Thanks for the memories."

"Beautiful tribute. Not a dry eye in the house."

"If you're going to be a Beatles tribute band, you better be good. @RainTribute is better than good! Phenomenal show!"

Like The Beatles, the onstage members of ***RAIN*** are not only supreme musicians, but electrifying performers in their own right!

RAIN: A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES

Academy of Music on the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus

Dates and times:

Friday, March 23, 2018 at 8:00 pm

Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm

Sunday, March 25, 2018 at 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm

Tickets

Tickets are on sale now and start at \$25.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling (215) 893-1999, visiting 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. More information at kimmelcenter.org.

The Shubert Organization

For more than 100 years, The Shubert Organization has been in the forefront of the American theatre. Under the leadership of Philip J. Smith, Chairman, and Robert E. Wankel, President, the Shubert Organization owns and operates 17 Broadway theatres and six Off-Broadway venues, as well as the Forrest Theatre in Philadelphia. The company has produced and co-produced hundreds of plays and musicals, including the original Broadway production of *CATS*, *Dreamgirls*, *Sunday in the Park with George*, *Amadeus*, *The Real Thing*, *The Grapes of Wrath*, *Equus*, *The Elephant Man*, *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*, *School of Rock The Musical*, and *The Humans*. The Shubert Organization is proud of its ongoing refurbishment program for its theatres, seeking to preserve the historic character while modernizing them to accommodate the needs of today's audiences.

Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts

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