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World renowned @DjangoAllStars bring the legendary music of Jazz Guitarist Django Reinhardt fully into the 21st century in a high-energy performance at @KimmelCC (Twitter)/@KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook and Instagram) on 11/6. For more information, please visit kimmelculturalcampus.org.

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**KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS
INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED
DJANGO FESTIVAL ALL-STARS
FOR *THE JOY TOUR*
NOVEMBER 6, 2021**

**“Riveting”
– *Variety***

**“The best jazz show in town!”
– *Wall Street Journal***

**“Expect buoyant rhythm, blinding technique, solid entertainment.”
– *The New York Times***

**“Sensational!”
– *Downbeat Magazine***

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (October 14, 2021) – The Kimmel Cultural Campus presents internationally renowned jazz group **Django Festival All-Stars** in the Kimmel Cultural Campus’ **Perelman Theater** on Saturday, November 6, 2021, at 8:00 p.m. Django Festival All-Stars bring the music of the legendary Gypsy Jazz Guitarist Django Reinhardt fully into the 21st century with a unique, high-energy performance that pays tribute to one of the greatest guitar players of all time.

Renowned in their own right, the band’s talented roster features **Samson Schmitt**, son of guitarist/violinist Dorado Schmitt; virtuoso violinist **Pierre Blanchard**; and accordionist extraordinaire **Ludovic Beier**. They are joined by **DouDou Cuillerier** on rhythm guitar and vocals, with **Antonio Licusati** on Acoustic Bass. Together, this brilliantly cohesive group of star musicians has taken the world by storm, performing at top concert halls and festivals throughout the last 20 years.

“Curating a jazz series in a city as creative, diverse, and multifaceted as Philadelphia means presenting artists at all stages of their careers and with varied sounds and styles,” said Matías Tarnopolsky, president and CEO of The Philadelphia Orchestra and soon-to-be president and CEO of The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Center, Inc. “We are delighted to add the legendary Django Festival All-Stars to our extraordinary jazz season and look forward to experiencing their signature sound.”

Reinhardt’s driving, swinging style became known as “hot jazz”, and it continues to grow in popularity throughout the world in great part due to the success of the Django Festival All-Stars, who honor the traditions of this “gypsy jazz” while adding their own interpretations, arrangements, and original compositions with stunning virtuosity.

The music speaks of Paris in the 20s and 30s when “gitane” music filled the air. It harkens back to the 30s and 40s in Europe where Django Reinhardt was “king” and teamed with the top jazz violinist Stephane Grappelli to create musical history. The Django Festival All-Stars bring this music to today, showcasing an intoxicating combination of some known standards and original music.

Other performances in the Kimmel Cultural Campus’ 21-22 Jazz Series include **The Hot Sardines: *Holiday Stomp*** (December 2, 2021, Perelman Theater), **Bria Skonberg** (January 13, 2022, Perelman Theater), **Dianne Reeves** (January 20, 2022, Merriam Theater), **Laurin Talese** (February 19, 2022, Perelman Theater), **Arnetta Johnson** (March 19, 2022, Perelman Theater), **Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis** (March 24, 2022, Academy of Music), and ***Jazz in the Key of Ellison*** (April 14, 2022, Verizon Hall).

Tickets

Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999 or online at www.kimmelculturalcampus.org. In-person ticket sales can be conducted daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Academy of Music Box Office, located at 240 S. Broad Street. See www.kimmelculturalcampus.org for more information.

DJANGO FESTIVAL ALL-STARS: *THE JOY TOUR*

Kimmel Cultural Campus’ Perelman Theater
November 6, 2021, 8:00 p.m.

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Safe & Clean Commitment + Flexible Ticket Policy

We will always put the safety of our guests, artists, and staff first, and we have worked closely with partners, producers, artists, guests and other performing arts centers around the nation to develop the most comprehensive plan to safely reopen our doors. We are committing to a healthy and clean environment with increased disinfection, enhanced ventilation, and will enforce recommended health authority guidelines, including masks and proof of vaccination.

For more information on our [Safe & Clean Commitment](http://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org), please visit [kimmelculturalcampus.org](http://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org).

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All attendees for public events must show proof of full vaccination at the time of entry, with valid photo ID and copy of vaccination card (physical or photo). Proof of negative COVID-19 tests will not be accepted, with the exception of children under the age of 12; children under 12 will be required to show a negative PCR test result taken within 72 hours of the event. This policy is subject to change based upon guidance from the CDC and local health authorities.

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KIMMEL 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 Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), 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 socially responsible 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 the proud Kimmel Cultural Campus Season Sponsor. Read Kimmel Cultural Campus' vision statement, world view, and mission statement [here](#). Learn more about our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it encompasses our mission, co-workers, and programs [here](#).

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