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Lineup of FREE Plaza events returns for Year #2 @KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook/Instagram)/@KimmelCC (Twitter), w/ #HappyHour, #Lunch presentations, #Nightlife, and #FamilyFundays, all featuring local #Philly artists!

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# KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS ANNOUNCES RETURN OF FREE PROGRAMMING SHOWCASING THE TALENT AND CREATIVITY OF PHILLY ARTISTS

Artistic partners Jesse MALPICA Bermudez, AFROTAINO, Jazz Philadelphia, and Musicopia, as well as local college students, help turn the Kimmel Plaza into 'a place to party'

# Monthly high-energy performances include Family Fundays, Lunchtime Unplugged, Happy Hour Sessions, and Nightlife at the Kimmel!

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** (Philadelphia, PA, August 15, 2022) — The Kimmel Cultural Campus announces the return of FREE programming showcasing local artists, bringing to life the original vision of the Kimmel Center building as a place for continuous live entertainment. The FREE programs, taking place under the Kimmel Center's soaring 150-foot vaulted roof in the Plaza, include *Family Fundays, Lunchtime Unplugged, Happy Hour Sessions*, and *Nightlife at the Kimmel*.

"This series is one more way we're meeting our guests where they are – offering new audiences a casual opportunity to come check us out at every time of day, while encouraging existing patrons to come early and stay late!" said Crystal Brewe, Chief Marketing and Audience Experience Officer on the Kimmel Cultural Campus. "With more local talent onstage and more student up-and-comers, this new lineup offers more opportunities to gather around the power of the arts."

This season includes returning partners Jesse Bermudez & AFROTAINO and Jazz Philadelphia, as well as new *Family Fundays* partner Musicopia.

# The lineup of FREE Plaza programming on the Kimmel Cultural Campus includes:

# Family Fundays at the Kimmel (10:00 AM – 12:00 PM)

Entertain your littlest art lovers at the Plaza! Ignite imaginations with an array of enchanting performances and hands-on activities. Select *Family Fundays* events are presented in partnership with Musicopia.

# Lunchtime Unplugged at the Kimmel (11:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Pack a lunch and picnic in the Plaza! Take a beat and savor in a diverse lineup of live performances by emerging Philly artists.

BYOB (Bring Your Own Bag) encouraged. Garces will provide full concessions, as well as a select menu from one of their local restaurants, Buena Onda.

# Happy Hour Sessions at the Kimmel (4:00 PM – 7:00 PM)

Meet up, mix, and mingle! Kickback and enjoy live entertainment from an eclectic roster of topshelf DJs, bands, and emcees.

Bar concessions by Garces.

#### *Nightlife at the Kimmel* (8:00 PM – 10:30 PM)

From bebop to hip-hop, neo-soul to salsa, the music doesn't stop at the Kimmel after dark! It's a free concert and a party – all powered by the brightest talent the region has to offer, including partnered events with Jazz Philadelphia, and Jesse Bermudez alongside AFROTAINO Productions.

Bar concessions by Garces.

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# NEW, FREE PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE (so far) IS BELOW. For the most up-to-date listings, go to our website.

# FAMILY FUNDAYS AT THE KIMMEL

**Kimmel Cultural Campus' Plaza inside the Kimmel Center building** Occurring 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., each date's individual artists to be announced at a later time

Saturday, September 10, 2022 Sunday, October 2, 2022 Sunday, November 13, 2022 Saturday, December 3, 2022 Sunday, January 8, 2023 Saturday, January 21, 2023 Sunday, February 12, 2023 Sunday, March 19, 2023 Saturday, April 1, 2023 Sunday, April 16, 2023 Sunday, May 21, 2023

# LUNCHTIME UNPLUGGED AT THE KIMMEL Kimmel Cultural Campus' Plaza inside the Kimmel Center building

Occurring 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., each date's individual artists to be announced at a later time

Friday, September 16, 2022 Friday, November 18, 2022 Wednesday, January 4, 2023 Friday, February 10, 2023 Friday, March 3, 2023 Friday, March 24, 2023 Friday, April 7, 2023 Wednesday, June 21, 2023

#### HAPPY HOUR SESSIONS AT THE KIMMEL

# Kimmel Cultural Campus' Plaza inside the Kimmel Center building

Occurring 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., each date's individual artists to be announced at a later time

Friday, September 9, 2022 Friday, September 23, 2022 Wednesday, October 5, 2022 Wednesday, November 23, 2022 Thursday, December 29, 2022 Friday, January 27, 2023 Thursday, February 9, 2023 Friday, March 10, 2023 Tuesday, March 21, 2023 Thursday, April 6, 2023 Friday, June 9, 2023

#### NIGHTLIFE AT THE KIMMEL

Kimmel Cultural Campus' Plaza inside the Kimmel Center building

Occurring 8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m., each date's individual artists to be announced at a later time

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 Wednesday, October 26, 2022 Tuesday, November 29, 2022 Monday, December 19, 2022 Wednesday, January 25, 2023 Wednesday, February 22, 2023 Wednesday, March 22, 2023 Wednesday, April 5, 2023 ###

# **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 quests per year and includes Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall. Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), the Academy of Music, and the Miller Theater (formerly 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 The Philadelphia Orchestra and seven esteemed Resident Companies: 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. 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, coworkers, and programs here.

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