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The Emmy-winning television personality and comedy legend @iamwandasykes films special over two-night engagement @KimmelCC (Twitter)/@KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook and Instagram) on 3/3 & 3/4. For more info, visit kimmelculturalcampus.org.

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KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS THE INCOMPARABLE, EMMY-WINNING COMEDIAN, WANDA SYKES, FILMING HER NEXT SPECIAL IN FRONT OF LIVE PHILADELPHIA AUDIENCES, **FEBRUARY 3 & 4, 2023**

"Sykes is at her core a social commentator whose forceful and charismatic delivery (she has one of the great withering stares in comedy) gets laughs so easily." - The New York Times

"She feels no need to pretend that she is something she's not, no need to couch her material as though her viewpoints or many of her subjects are going to be a surprise." - Vulture

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (January 5, 2022) – The Kimmel Cultural Campus, in partnership with Live Nation, presents **Wanda Sykes** at the Miller Theater (formerly the Merriam Theater) on Friday, February 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, February 4, 2023, at 10:00 p.m. Wanda Sykes is an Emmy® Award-winning stand-up comic, writer, actress, and producer who has been entertaining audiences for over twenty years.

"Wanda Sykes has never dreamed too small. An undeniable comedy legend with over a hundred film and television credits, multiple stand-up specials, 11 Primetime Emmy nominations, and countless sold-out comedy shows for 20 years and counting, Sykes has taken Hollywood by storm while courageously using her platform to advocate for equality," said Frances Egler, Senior Director of Programming and Presentations on the Kimmel Cultural Campus. "We are honored Sykes has chosen our Miller Theater as the location to tape her next stand-up comedy special. This is a unique opportunity to be a part of her stand-up vision that her fans will not want to miss."

Her fifth standup special, Wanda Sykes: Not Normal, is currently streaming on Netflix and was nominated for two 2019 Primetime Emmy Awards; "Outstanding Variety, Music or Comedy Special" and "Outstanding Writing for a Variety, Music or Comedy Special." The special also

received a Broadcast Critic Award nomination. She can be seen on Netflix's *The Upshaws* with season 2 part 2 out February 16th and in Hulu's *History of the World- PT2* premiering March 6th.

This is a Yondr event, a phone-free experience. Use of phones, smart watches, and accessories will not be permitted in the performance space. Upon arrival at the venue, all phones, smart watches, and accessories will be secured in individual Yondr pouches that will be opened at the end of the event.

Wanda Sykes owns all rights in the content and materials delivered during his performance (the "materials"). Any use of the materials without the express prior written consent of Wanda Sykes is strictly prohibited and is punishable to the full extent of the law.

Other featured upcoming performances on the Kimmel Cultural Campus include **Brian Regan** (January 14, 2023, Miller Theater), **Antoni Porowski: Let's Do Dinner** (February 13, 2023, Perelman Theater), **Jack Whitehall:** *Jackarse Tour* (February 16, 2023, Miller Theater), **Heather McMahan:** *The Comeback Tour* (February 18, 2023, Academy of Music), **Jay Shetty World Tour:** *Love Rules* (February, 21, 2023, Academy of Music), **Karlous Miller:** *At the End of the Day...* (February 25, 2023, Miller Theater), **Second City Swipes Right:** *An Incomplete Guide to The Ultimate Date Night* (March 10 – 11, 2023, Perelman Theater), **Nimesh Patel:** *The Lucky Lefty Tour* (March 10, 2023, Miller Theater), **Noel Miller:** *Everything Is F#&KED* (March 24, 2023, Miller Theater) and **Matteo Lane:** *The Al Dente Tour* (March 31, 2023, Miller Theater).

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.

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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 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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