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TWO CONCERTS JUST ADDED!

Gladys Knight – November 6

Pat Metheny Side-Eye – November 12

New Brunswick, NJ (July 8, 2021)—State Theatre New Jersey announces the addition of two concerts for fall of 2021: **Gladys Knight** on **November 6** and **Pat Metheny Side-Eye with James Francies and Joe Dyson** on **November 12**. Tickets for both shows go on sale this Friday, July 9 at 11am. *For tickets and more information, visit STNJ.org.*

Gladys Knight

Seven-time Grammy® Award-winner Gladys Knight has enjoyed success in many genres, with #1 hits in pop, gospel, R&B, and adult contemporary. Known as the “Empress of Soul,” Knight’s hits include “Midnight Train to Georgia,” “I Heard It Through the Grapevine,” and “That’s What Friends Are For.” Knight’s TV and movie credits include *Dancing with the Stars*, *I Can Do Bad All By Myself*, *Empire*, Lifetime’s *Seasons of Love*, *Holidaze*, and *Hollywood Homicide*. The Gladys Knight concert is part of State Theatre New Jersey’s Centennial Series, celebrating STNJ’s 100th Anniversary in the newly renovated theater. For more information, visit STNJ.org/100.

Pat Metheny

Twenty-time Grammy® Award-winner Pat Metheny returns to the State Theatre for his Side-Eye tour with pianist James Francies and drummer Joe Dyson. The jazz guitarist and composer is best known for hits such as “As It Is,” “Bright Size Life,” “Are You Going with Me,” and covers of “And I Love Her,” and “Don’t Know Why.” Metheny’s musical style blends progressive, contemporary jazz, and Latin jazz. In addition to being the only artist to win a Grammy® in 10 different categories, he has earned three gold records, and is a member of the DownBeat Hall of Fame, the Royal Swedish Academy of Music, and the Missouri Music Hall of Fame.

Other recent shows added to State Theatre's 2021 lineup include **Foreigner** on **October 29**; two-time Emmy®-nominated performer, **Randy Rainbow** on **November 5** as part of The Pink Glasses Tour; and a special tribute concert to the late John Prine featuring Prine's brother **Billy Prine and the Prine Time Band** on **December 11**.

State Theatre also recently announced its **2021-22 Reopening Broadway Season**, featuring 10 fantastic shows in a fully renovated theater including brand-new theater seats. The 2021-22 Season will include **Summer: The Donna Summer Musical** on **November 26-28**; **Anastasia** on **December 3-5**; the Tony® Award-winning musical, featuring the music of Gershwin, **An American in Paris** on **February 25-27**; the hilarious hit Broadway musical featuring original music and lyrics by Grammy® Award-winner Sara Bareilles, **Waitress** on **April 14-16**; and **Hairspray**, the Tony® Award-winning musical comedy phenomenon on **April 29-May 1**. Season tickets for the 2021-22 Broadway Series are now on sale. *For more information visit STNJ.org/SeasonTickets.*

Gladys Knight is co-presented with Metropolitan Entertainment.

About State Theatre New Jersey

State Theatre was built in 1921 as a silent film and vaudeville palace. Recognizing the historic significance of the theater, PBS honored State Theatre New Jersey by featuring it in its documentary series, Treasures of New Jersey, in the fall of 2018. "Treasures of New Jersey: State Theatre New Jersey" can be streamed at STNJ.org/History. Today, State Theatre is the largest performing arts center in Central New Jersey and has welcomed six million people through its doors since reopening as a non-profit performing arts center in 1988. State Theatre New Jersey is a cornerstone of the cultural vitality of Middlesex County, and averages a total economic impact on New Brunswick and the surrounding area of more than \$18 million a year. The mainstage programs have featured high-caliber artists such as Diana Ross, Tony Bennett, Kevin Hart, Ringo Starr, Melissa Etheridge, John Leguizamo, Harry Connick, Jr., Diana Krall, and Crosby, Stills & Nash. Program offerings include Broadway, orchestra, family, dance, comedy, rock/pop, jazz, Performances for Schools, and Sensory-Friendly Performances.

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