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RIVERDANCE – THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR
COMING TO THE KAUFFMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The international Irish dance phenomenon performs in Muriel Kauffman Theatre on March 16 & 17

Kansas City, MO – *Riverdance – The 20th Anniversary World Tour* will present three performances in Muriel Kauffman Theatre at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts in March 2018.

Riverdance – The 20th Anniversary World Tour brings new costumes, lighting, projections, and a new number to the Kauffman Center for an evening performance on Friday, March 16, and matinee and evening performances on Saturday, March 17. Tickets for the event range from \$39 to \$79 plus fees, and go on sale to the public at 10 a.m. on Friday, August 25. This event is presented in partnership with MagicSpace Entertainment.

Tickets will be available through the Kauffman Center Box Office at (816) 994-7222, via the Kauffman Center mobile app, or online at www.kauffmancenter.org.



ABOUT RIVERDANCE

Riverdance – The 20th Anniversary World Tour is composed by Bill Whelan, produced by Moya Doherty and directed by John McColgan. *Riverdance* is an innovative and exciting blend of dance, music, and song. Drawing on Irish traditions, the combined talents of the performers propel Irish dancing and music into the present day, capturing the imagination of audiences across all ages and cultures. The show has set design by Robert Ballagh, lighting design by John Comiskey, costume design by Joan Bergin, and sound design by Michael O’Gorman.

Riverdance began its journey as the interval act during the 1994 Eurovision Song Contest, produced for television by Moya Doherty. This electrifying and innovative seven-minute dance piece was then developed into a full-length show by Doherty, composer Bill Whelan and director John McColgan. With its fusion of Irish and international music and dance, the show broke box office records during its world premiere in Dublin in 1995. A hugely successful world tour started in New York in March 1996. Since its inception, *Riverdance* has packed theaters across the globe.

For the complete *Riverdance – The 20th Anniversary World Tour* North American tour schedule, visit www.riverdance.com.

KAUFFMAN CENTER PRESENTS SERIES SCHEDULE

2017-2018 Kauffman Center Presents Events:**

The Kauffman Center Presents series features exceptional and diverse artists from a variety of musical genres and performance styles. Upcoming events include:

- Tuesday, September 5 – YES featuring Jon Anderson, Trevor Rabin, Rick Wakeman – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Saturday, November 11 – Vienna Boys Choir – 8 p.m., Helzberg Hall
- Friday, March 16 and Saturday, March 17 – *Riverdance – The 20th Anniversary World Tour* – 7:30 p.m. March 16; 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. March 17, Muriel Kauffman Theatre

**Events announced to date. Additional performances will be announced throughout the 2017-2018 season. Updates are available at www.kauffmancenter.org/events-tickets/kauffman-center-presents/.

ABOUT THE KAUFFMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts – a major not-for-profit center for music, opera, theater and dance designed by Moshe Safdie – opened in 2011. Serving as a cultural cornerstone for Kansas City and the region, the Kauffman Center delivers extraordinary and diverse performing arts experiences. Honored as one of the World’s 15 Most Beautiful Concert Halls, the Kauffman Center attracts some of the world’s most renowned performers and entertainers.

Through educational outreach programs and community enrichment, the Kauffman Center supports Kansas City as a cultural destination. More information on the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts is available at kauffmancenter.org.

The Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts would like to thank our Premier Partner, Saint Luke’s Health System and official building sponsor Aristocrat Motors and Mercedes-Benz of Kansas City for their generous support of the 2017-2018 Kauffman Center Presents series.

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