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## **TWO PERFORMANCES ANNOUNCED IN THE KAUFFMAN CENTER PRESENTS SERIES**

*Comedy-magic duo Penn & Teller will perform June 22 in Muriel Kauffman Theatre*  
*Country artists Lee Greenwood and Dailey & Vincent will perform July 1 in Muriel Kauffman Theatre*

Kansas City, MO – Today, the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts announced two new performances in the *Kauffman Center Presents* series. Comedy-magic duo Penn & Teller will close out the 2017-2018 *Kauffman Center Presents* season on June 22. Country musicians Lee Greenwood and Dailey & Vincent will open the 2018-2019 series with a double-headliner concert on July 1.

For more than 40 years **Penn & Teller** have defied labels – and at times physics and good taste – by redefining the genre of magic and inventing their own niche in comedy. With sold-out runs on Broadway, Emmy Award-winning television specials, a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and hundreds of TV appearances, comedy’s most enduring team shows no signs of slowing down. Tickets for their June 22 performance range from \$39 to \$89 plus applicable fees and go on sale to the public at 10 a.m. Friday, April 6.

**Lee Greenwood and Dailey & Vincent** bring a celebration of country music to the Kauffman Center with their *Red, White and Bluegrass* tour. Greenwood is an icon in popular country music, with more than 30 albums and seven No. 1 songs, including his hit, “God Bless the USA.” The duo Dailey & Vincent has been hailed as one of the most exciting bluegrass bands in America. Tickets for their July 1 concert range from \$39 to \$69 and go on sale to the public at 10 a.m. Friday, April 6.

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](http://www.kauffmancenter.org).

### **ABOUT PENN & TELLER**

With an amazing eight wins as “Las Vegas Magicians of the Year,” Penn & Teller’s 17-year run at The Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino makes them one of the longest-running headline acts in Las Vegas history. Their acclaimed Showtime series, *Penn & Teller: BS!* was nominated for 13 Emmy awards. They currently host the hit series *Penn & Teller: Fool Us!* for The CW Network.

Penn & Teller have written *New York Times* bestsellers; hosted an Emmy-nominated variety show for FX; starred in their own specials for ABC, NBC and Comedy Central; produced the critically lauded feature film documentary *The Aristocrats*; and produced the acclaimed documentary *Tim’s Vermeer*. Penn & Teller recently returned to Broadway in a triumphant six-week engagement that *USA Today* called, “deliciously unsettling.” Learn more about Penn & Teller on their [website](#).

[Download Penn & Teller’s press photo here.](#)

### **ABOUT LEE GREENWOOD**

Lee Greenwood has been recognized with awards from the GRAMMYS, the Country Music Association and the Academy of Country Music. Greenwood's hits include "It Turns Me Inside Out," "I Don't Mind the Thorns If You're the Rose" and "Somebody's Gonna Love You." His patriotic song "God Bless the USA" has been a top five country single three times – in 1991, 2001 and 2003. He released a children's book based on the song's lyrics in 2015. Greenwood's most recent album, *I Want to Be in Your World*, features a guest spot from Michael McDonald and original songs, including one with Greenwood on saxophone, an instrument he started playing at age 12. Learn more about Lee Greenwood on his [website](#).

[Download Lee Greenwood's press photo here.](#)

## **ABOUT DAILEY & VINCENT**

Jamie Dailey and Darrin Vincent's contagious brand of traditional country, bluegrass and gospel music has earned them three GRAMMY nominations, induction into the Grand Ole Opry, and a Dailey & Vincent exhibit at the Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame. The duo has been praised for the instinctive vocal blends of Dailey's tenor and Vincent's reedy harmonies. Dailey & Vincent have garnered attention with their national television series, *The Dailey & Vincent Show*, on RFD TV and more than 500 airings of their PBS special, *Dailey & Vincent ALIVE – In Concert*. The group's most recent album, *Dailey & Vincent ALIVE*, debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard bluegrass charts. Learn more about Dailey & Vincent on their [website](#).

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## **KAUFFMAN CENTER PRESENTS SERIES SCHEDULE\***

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

### **2017-2018 Kauffman Center Presents events:**

- Tuesday, May 1 – *National Geographic Live: NASA Astronaut Terry Virts – View from Above* – 7:30 p.m. May 1, Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Sunday, May 13 – *Alan Cumming: Legal Immigrant* – 7 p.m., Helzberg Hall
- Tuesday, June 5 – *National Geographic Live: Photographer/Filmmaker & Writer Pete McBride & Kevin Fedarko – Between River and Rim* – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Thursday, June 7 – David Byrne: *American Utopia Tour* – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Saturday, June 16 – Diana Krall: *Turn Up The Quiet World Tour 2018* – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Friday, June 22 – Penn & Teller – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre

### **2018-2019 Kauffman Center Presents events:**

- Sunday, July 1 – *Red, White and Bluegrass: Lee Greenwood and Dailey & Vincent* – 7 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Monday, August 6 – *A Paranormal Evening with Alice Cooper* – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Sunday, August 19 – *Happy Together Tour 2018* – 7 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Sunday, September 9 – Punch Brothers – 7 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Wednesday, October 3 – Black Violin – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Wednesday, October 24 – Chanticleer – 7 p.m., Helzberg Hall

\*Events announced to date. Additional performances will be announced throughout the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 seasons. Updates are available at [www.kauffmancenter.org/events-tickets/kauffman-center-presents/](http://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](http://kauffmancenter.org).

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