

## R&B Superstar Returns in Brand New Show JOHN LEGEND

## DPAC, Durham Performing Arts Center October 31, 2013

**July 29, 2013 (Durham, NC)** —Halloween is all treats this year when nine-time Grammy® winner, John Legend makes his much anticipated return to DPAC, Durham Performing Arts Center, on October 31, 2013. This stop is part of his North American tour, "Made to Love" in support of his upcoming album *Love in the Future*, which will be released this fall. R&B songstress (and popular reality star) Tamar Braxton will open.

Tickets go on sale August 2 at 10 a.m.:

- · Online at DPACnc.com
- DPAC Ticket Center: 919.680.2787, 123 Vivian Street, Durham, NC
- Ticketmaster.com / Ticketmaster Charge by phone at 800.745.3000

Friends of DPAC members may place their orders on July 31. Joining Friends of DPAC is free, and you can register at http://www.dpacnc.com/fod.

"John Legend was part of our inaugural celebration and it is such a pleasure to host him again," said Bob Klaus, GM of DPAC. "His last performance was sold out and we can expect this performance to follow suit. It is a pleasure to be selected to be part of his North American Tour and a testament to Triangle fans and DPAC's reputation."

John Legend is a nine-time Grammy<sup>®</sup> Award winning recording artist, critically-acclaimed concert performer, philanthropist/social activist, and was named one of *Time* magazine's 100 most influential people.

Legend's debut album, *Get Lifted* (2004) sold more than three million copies worldwide and earned an astounding eight Grammy® nominations with three wins for Best New Artist, Best Male R&B Vocal Performance and Best R&B album. Legend's follow-up album, *Once Again* (2006) earned RIAA platinum certification and a Grammy® Award for Best Male R&B Vocal Performance.

High off the success of his third consecutive Top 10 album, *Evolver* (2008), Legend embarked on an extensive world tour with an 11 piece band - his largest traveling show to date. Inspired by the monumental 2008 Presidential election, Legend teamed up with The Roots to release the socially conscious album, *Wake Up!* (2010.) The album was nominated for five Grammy® Awards and won Best R&B Album, Best Traditional R&B Vocal Performance and Best R&B song (for "Shine"- an original composition also featured in Academy Awardwinning director Davis Guggenheim's documentary film Waiting for Superman) along with two NAACP Image Awards for Outstanding Album and Outstanding Duo, Group or Collaboration.

In 2007, Legend launched the Show Me Campaign, a nonprofit organization fighting poverty around the world. John also sits on the Boards of The Education Equality Project, Teach for America, and the Harlem Village Academies. That same year he received the special Starlight Award from the Songwriters Hall of Fame.



Legend has been honored several times for his activism, including the 2010 BET Humanitarian of the Year award, the 2009 CARE Humanitarian Award for Global Change, and the 2009 Africare's Bishop John T. Walker Distinguished Humanitarian Service Award.

In early 2012, Legend released one of the hottest songs of his career, the RIAA gold-certified hit "Tonight (Best You've Ever Had)," which sat atop the Urban AC radio chart for six consecutive weeks. Legend's fifth studio album *Love in the Future*, with executive producers Kanye West and Dave Tozer will be released September 3.

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## **About DPAC**

Since its opening in 2008, DPAC, Durham Performing Arts Center, has become the center for live entertainment in the Triangle. Recognized for its contemporary design, DPAC features 2,700 seats, intimate sightlines and state-of-the art sound and video. Listed four times in the top 10 in Pollstar magazine's annual worldwide theater attendance rankings, DPAC is currently the #3 ranked theater in the U.S.

What is up next at DPAC this summer? SHERYL CROW in her most intimate concert ever in the Triangle (August 3), *Politically Incorrect* comedian and host of HBO's *Real Time* BILL MAHER (August 10), followed by an intimate evening with 6-time Grammy® winner TONI BRAXTON (August 18).

For more information please go to www.DPACnc.com.