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**ICONIC MUSICIAN JOAN BAEZ
BRINGS *FARE THEE WELL TOUR*, HER FINAL FORMAL
NORTH AMERICAN TOUR,
TO KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS
SEPTEMBER 26, 2018**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, July 30, 2018) – The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, in association with Larry Magid Entertainment, welcomes back acclaimed artist and activist **Joan Baez**, as she embarks on her final North American tour. The extensive run of shows, following 50 UK and European dates, marks Baez’s last year of formal touring and includes a stop at the Kimmel Center’s **Verizon Hall** on **Wednesday, September 26, 2018** at **8:00 p.m.** The Telegraph called her performance at London’s Royal Albert Hall, “a rapturous evening with a legend.” GQ magazine reviewed the performance and said, “The fighter still remains.”

“It is always an honor to have the incomparable, world-renowned Joan Baez perform on the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus,” said Ed Cambron, Executive Vice President of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. “Baez is not only an incredible musician, but a passionate activist, and Philadelphia audiences are lucky to see her live on her final North American tour.”

As a special offer to fans purchasing tickets for Baez’s U.S. tour, a CD or digital download of her forthcoming album, *Whistle Down The Wind*, is included with every ticket purchased.

Recorded over a 10-day period in L.A., *Whistle Down The Wind* was produced by three-time Grammy® Award winner **Joe Henry** (Bonnie Raitt, Allen Toussaint, and others) and includes songs written by **Tom**

Waits, Anohni, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Josh Ritter, Eliza Gilkyson, and more. The new music marks the first release from Baez since 2008's Grammy® nominated album, *Day After Tomorrow*.

Baez remains a musical force of incalculable influence. She marched on the front line of the civil rights movement with Martin Luther King, Jr.; shined a spotlight on the Free Speech Movement; took to the fields with Cesar Chavez; organized resistance to the Vietnam War; inspired Vaclav Havel in his fight for a Czech Republic; saluted the Dixie Chicks for their courage to protest the Iraq war; stood with old friend Nelson Mandela in London's Hyde Park as the world celebrated his 90th birthday; and, most recently, protested the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline at Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. To this day, she continues to stand passionately on behalf of causes she embraces.

Other featured upcoming performances at the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus include: **Pat Matheny** (October 5, 2018, Merriam Theater), and **AC2: Anderson Cooper and Andy Cohen** (November 3, 2018, Academy of Music).

JOAN BAEZ: *Fare Thee Well* Tour 2018

Verizon Hall

September 26, 2018, 8:00 p.m.

Tickets

Tickets are on sale now and start at \$64.50. Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999, online at www.kimmelcenter.org, or at the Kimmel Center Box Office. Group sales are available for groups of 10 or more and can be purchased by calling 215-790-5883. See www.kimmelcenter.org for more information.

The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, the Kimmel Center's mission is to operate a world-class performing arts center that engages and serves a broad audience through diverse programming, arts education, and community outreach. The Kimmel Center Campus is comprised of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, SEI Innovation Studio, and the Merck Arts Education Center), the Academy of Music (owned by the Philadelphia Orchestra Association), and the Merriam Theater. The Kimmel Center is also home to eight Resident Companies: The Philadelphia Orchestra, Opera Philadelphia, The 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, The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts is the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank, is the season sponsor of the Kimmel Center's 2018-2019 Season. American Airlines is the official airline of Broadway Philadelphia. For additional information, visit www.kimmelcenter.org.

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