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James Beard Award Winner & @nytimes best-selling cookbook author @CiaoSamin will visit the @KimmelCenter's Academy of Music for "An Evening with Samin Nosrat" on 11/6! More info @ KimmelCenter.org

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**KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS
CELEBRATED COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND HOST OF THE
NETFLIX SERIES *SALT, FAT, ACID, HEAT*
FOR AN EVENING WITH SAMIN NOSRAT
NOVEMBER 6, 2019**

"Just reading *Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat* will make you a better cook, adept at seasoning, balancing, understanding what it really is you're doing and why...Make room on the bedside table – and the countertop."

– *Bon Appetit*

"Inventively illustrated...ambitious... [Nosrat is] a talented explainer."

– *The Wall Street Journal*

"After an era of domestic goddesses like Martha Stewart and Nigella Lawson, Nosrat leaves behind the image of polished perfection for something more real. She was called 'the next Julia Child' by NPR, but the joy of Samin Nosrat is that she is very much herself."

- *The Boston Globe*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, October 9, 2019) – The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus presents James Beard Award winner **Samin Nosrat** in ***An Evening with Samin Nosrat*** at the Academy of Music on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Nosrat has leveraged her passions for food and words to establish herself at the forefront of the culinary world with a food column in *The New York Times Magazine*, an award-winning best-selling cookbook, and a hit Netflix series of the same name, *Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat*.

“Samin Nosrat has long been a household name in the culinary arts realm, yet recently, her infectious love for food has instilled her in the wider, cultural lexicon,” said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. “She presents gourmet food with an accessibility seldom seen, providing an educational experience without an ounce of condescension. Her brilliance is in her simplicity, giving audiences a feeling of friendship with her warmth and vivacity that is even more charming live. On the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus, we value diverse programming and enjoy bringing celebrated chefs to Philadelphia, offering insight and experience to our audiences.”

As an undergraduate studying English at UC Berkeley, Samin Nosrat took a detour into the kitchen at Chez Panisse restaurant that happily determined the course of her life and career. Since 2000, she pursued her twin passions of food and words with equal vigor, aiming to create work that inspires, creates community, and raises cultural, social, and environmental awareness.

Nosrat learned to cook at Chez Panisse in Italy, alongside Benedetta Vitali and Dario Cecchini, and at Eccolo in Berkeley. She studied poetry with Robert Hass, Shakespeare with Stephen Booth, and journalism with Michael Pollan. She has said that Alice Waters and farmer Bob Cannard taught her more about land stewardship than anyone else.

Her first book, *Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat: Mastering the Elements of Good Cooking*, was illustrated by Wendy MacNaughton. It is a *New York Times* bestseller and won multiple awards including the 2018 James Beard General Cookbook of the Year, 2018 Fortnum & Mason Debut Cookbook, 2018 International Association of Culinary Professionals (IACP) Cookbook of the Year, 2018 IACP Julia Child First Book Award, and *The Sunday Times* Food Book of the Year 2017. A documentary series based on the book is now streaming on Netflix.

In 2018, she was named the *Eater* Chef of the Year. She is also one of five food columnists for *The New York Times Magazine*. In April 2019, she was named one of *Time Magazine's* 100 Most Influential People of 2019 in the Pioneers category. Also in 2019, Nosrat's Netflix series, *Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat*, received the 2019 James Beard Award for Television Program, on Location.

Samin Nosrat has spoken about food, art, culture, and cooking at venues as diverse as the Oakland Unified School District Nutrition Services, UC Berkeley, Yale University, SFMoMA, St. Mary's College, University of San Francisco, the Orange Institute, the Headlands Center for the Arts, the International Association of Culinary Professionals (IACP) and Artechef, the Cuban national cooking school. She is currently working on her next book titled *What to Cook* (Ten Speed Press).

Other featured upcoming performances at the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus include: **Mystery Science Theater 3000 Live: *The Great Cheesy Movie Circus Tour*** (October 25, 2019, Merriam Theater), **The Conversationalists** (November 7 – 9, 2019, SEI Innovation Studio), ***Between River and Rim: Hiking the Grand Canyon with Kevin Fedarko and Pete McBride*** (November 13, 2019, Merriam Theater), and **Rachael & Vilray** (December 13, 2019, Perelman Theater).

AN EVENING WITH SAMIN NOSRAT

Kimmel Center Cultural Campus' Academy of Music

November 6, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

Tickets

Tickets are on sale now starting at \$25.00. 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 Cultural Campus

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1 million guests per year and includes the **Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts**, the **Academy of Music**, and the **Merriam Theater**- representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to eight esteemed Resident Companies: **The Philadelphia Orchestra**, **Opera Philadelphia**, **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, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially-responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank, is our proud sponsor of the Kimmel Center's 2019-2020 Season. American Airlines is the official airline of Broadway Philadelphia. For additional information, visit www.kimmelcenter.org.

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