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COMEDIAN, ACTOR, AND PODCAST STAR TOM SEGURA MAKES HIS MERRIAM THEATER DEBUT ON THE KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS NOVEMBER 16-17, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, September 5, 2018) – Actor, comedian, and writer **Tom Segura** has quickly become one of Hollywood’s most in-demand and highly regarded talents. This fall, he will bring his direct and hilarious storytelling to the Kimmel Center’s Merriam Theater for two nights on Friday, November 16, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., with riotous and bold stand-up performances that will have the crowd roaring with laughter.

“Tom Segura offers audiences a boisterous, unfiltered narrative on many of life’s common routines,” said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. “He has quickly charmed the comedy world with his truthful reflections and swift wit, and we are delighted to bring his humor to the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus for the first time as part of our growing and diverse comedy series.”

Tom Segura is best known for his two Netflix specials, *Completely Normal* (2014) and *Mostly Stories* (2016), from which *Paste Magazine* described him as “...having a natural and capable storytelling ability, one that lifts his narratives of our average anecdote fare and plants them firmly in hilarious grounds.” Most recently, he returned to Netflix with his third stand-up special, *Disgraceful*, where he gives an unfiltered look into his thoughts on blunt musings on porn, parking lot power struggles, parenthood, and more.

In addition to his stand-up, he has accrued an impressive résumé of television credits including *Conan*, *Workaholics*, *Happy Endings*, *The Late Late Show*, *Comedy Central Presents: Tom Segura Mash up*, and *How to Be a Grown Up*. Additionally, his noted podcast *Your Mom's House*, which he co-hosts with his wife, comedian Christina Pazsitzky, was a finalist for Best Comedy Podcast at the Stitcher Awards and profiled by VICE. Recently, he released his fourth hour-long stand-up album, which sat on iTunes and Billboard Comedy Chart for consecutive weeks. His first two albums, *Thrilled* and *White Girls with Cornrows*, also debuted at number one and continues to play heavily on satellite radio and streaming music platforms.

When he's not touring clubs, Segura continuously performs at the top comedy festivals in the world including Montreal's Just For Laughs Comedy Festival, The Melbourne International Comedy Festival, The Comedy Festival – Las Vegas, The South Beach Comedy Festival, and the Hong Kong Comedy Festival. Segura also is a regular on radio shows like *Bennington* and some of the highest downloaded podcasts in the world of comedy, such as *The Joe Rogan Experience* and *WTF With Marc Maron*, among others.

Other featured upcoming performances at the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus include: **DeRay Mckesson** (October 6, 2018, Perelman Theater), **Kathy Griffin: Laugh Your Head Off World Tour** (October 6, 2018, Merriam Theater), **#IMOMSOHARD – Mom's Night Out Round 2** (October 17, 2018, Merriam Theater), and **AC2: Anderson Cooper and Andy Cohen** (November 3, 2018, Academy of Music).

TOM SEGURA

Merriam Theater

November 16, 2018, 8:00 p.m.

November 17, 2018, 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

Tickets

Tickets are on sale now and start at \$34.00. 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 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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