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John Legend to play Thursday night at the Keith-Albee

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HUNTINGTON -- Spend a night enjoying the music of John Legend at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Keith Albee Performing Arts Center where he will also give insight about his thoughts on social justice and poverty in America.

Presented by the Marshall Student Activities Programming Board, Legend's hybrid lecture/performance highlights his life, career and passion to make a positive impact on the world. He performs 3 to 4 songs on piano during the lecture.

Legend is a multi-platinum selling singer/songwriter who is also known for his work as a philanthropist and social activist. He has won numerous awards including nine Grammy Awards, 2 NAACP Image Awards and was named one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People.



Legend has collaborated with a variety of stars in the Hip Hop and R&B communities including Kanye West, The Roots, The Black Eyed Peas, Alicia Keys, Lauryn Hill and Jay-Z. His albums "Evolver," "Wake Up!" and "Get Lifted" all debuted at the top of the charts.



Legend launched the "Show Me Campaign," a nonprofit organization fighting poverty around the world. He has been recognized several times for his activism including the 2010 BET Humanitarian of the Year Award and the 2009 CARE Humanitarian Award for Global Change.

An Evening with John Legend: Lecture & Performance will be at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Keith Albee Performing Arts Center. Tickets for this event are \$45 or \$40 for the general public and \$15 or \$10 for Marshall University students. Non-student tickets can be purchased by contacting the Marshall Artists Series at 304-696-6656, online at ticketmaster.com or by coming to the box office at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center at Marshall.

An Evening with John Legend: Lecture & Performance is also sponsored by First Sentry Bank, Dr. Jeff & Mrs. Brooke Leaberry, Jeff & Amber Biederman, R. Lee Booten II, Attorney at Law, KEE 100, Oldies 97.1, WSAZ Newchannel 3, The Herald-Dispatch, Marshall University, The College of Fine Arts and The Marshall Artists Series.

Here's a look at the rest of the fall semester's Marshall Artists Series season:

"Titanic: The Broadway Musical" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$58/\$50/\$45.

"Skateistan" (documentary film). This documentary kicks off the Marshall Artists Series Fall International Film Festival, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, in the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$10.



The Fall International Film Festival is Oct. 12-17, at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Featured films include: "A Separation" (Iran), "The Kid With A Bike" (Belgium), "Applause" (Denmark), "Beasts of the Southern Wild" (USA), "Footnote" (Israel), and "Headhunters" (Norway). Tickets are \$7.50 per film.

Mountain Stage at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4. Join Larry Groce, host and artistic director of the iconic West Virginia radio program. Artists performing include Dr. Dog, Spirit Family Reunion and The Mountain Goats. More artists are to be announced. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.

The Irish Tenors Holiday Celebration. Enjoy the boisterous charm of The Irish Tenors - Ronan Tynan, Finbar Wright and Anthony Kearns, with a full 30-piece orchestra at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, at the Keith Albee Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$62.50/\$50/\$45.

The Marshall Artists Series accepts all major credit cards. For tickets call the Marshall Artists Series box office at 304-696-6656. Order tickets online at Ticketmaster.com. Visit the box office in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on the Marshall University campus. Box office hours are noon to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Season ticket packages are still available.

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