



The Righteous Brothers Return to the Florida Theatre on Saturday, January 9, 2021

Jacksonville, Fla. (July 7, 2020) – The Florida Theatre is pleased to welcome the return of The Righteous Brothers on Saturday, January 9, 2021.

With a string of No. 1 classics, including the most played song in radio history, "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'," the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame duo of Bill Medley and Bobby Hatfield topped the charts in four decades. After Bobby's death in 2003, Bill Medley continued to perform to sold-out crowds around the world, but fans and friends pleaded with him to keep **The Righteous Brothers** alive. Says Medley, "No one could ever take Bobby's place, but when I caught Bucky Heard's show it all came together – I found the right guy to help me recreate the magic." The concert experience features their biggest hits – "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'," "Soul & Inspiration," "Unchained Melody", "Rock and Roll Heaven", Medley's GRAMMY-winning Dirty Dancing theme "The Time of My Life," and much, much more!

Bill Medley is truly one of the iconic figures in American music history. His instantly recognizable baritone voice has anchored some of the biggest recordings of all time. He's won a GRAMMY, an Oscar, a Golden Globe, and an American Music Award. The Orange County, CA native began writing songs as a boy and had his breakout as a songwriter and singer when, in 1963, the Medley-penned "Little Latin Lupe Lu" became a regional hit for Bill and Bobby Hatfield, as their first release as The Righteous Brothers.

Other regional hits followed, "Justine", "Koko Joe", and "My Babe", which led to a regular spot on ABC-TV's national *Shindig!* broadcast. The show, featuring a cast of regulars, along with guest stars every week, catered to the teen audience, something new for TV at that time. *Shindig!*'s smash success coincided with The Righteous Brothers opening for both The Beatles and The Rolling Stones on their first US tours. From then, until Bobby's passing in 2003, The Righteous Brothers never stopped performing to packed crowds. Shortly before Bobby passed away, Righteous Brothers fan Billy Joel inducted the pair into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame with a glowing 7-minute speech.

Bucky Heard is an Alabama native and Auburn University alum. He's been one of the most popular and versatile performers in America for several years, headlining countless shows in major venues. His reputation as a gutsy rock and roll singer, with an incredible vocal range, has garnered much critical praise and a legion of fans. "Performing with Bill Medley is like getting your PhD in show business," says Heard. "He is more than a legend; he puts everything into every performance, and really understands how to connect with an audience. He motivates me to be my best and I'm so grateful for this opportunity!"

The historic, nonprofit Florida Theatre is sponsored by Community First Credit Union. For a complete list of upcoming events or to buy tickets visit the Theatre's official website, floridatheatre.com.

EVENT: The Righteous Brothers
DATE: Saturday, January 9, 2021
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
TICKET PRICE: \$35.00 - \$75.00
MEMBER PRESALE: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10 a.m.
E-CLUB PRESALE: Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 9 a.m.
PUBLIC ON SALE: Friday, July 10, 2020 at 10 a.m.
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