



Judy Collins and Arlo Guthrie at the Florida Theatre on January 20, 2021

Jacksonville, Fla. (June 1, 2020) – The Florida Theatre is pleased to welcome Judy Collins and Arlo Guthrie on Wednesday, January 20, 2021.

Judy Collins has long inspired audiences with sublime vocals, boldly vulnerable songwriting, personal life triumphs, and a firm commitment to social activism. In the 1960s, she evoked both the idealism and steely determination of a generation united against social and environmental injustices. Five decades later, her luminescent presence shines brightly as new generations bask in the glow of her iconic 55-album body of work, and heed inspiration from her spiritual discipline to thrive in the music industry for half a century.

The award-winning singer-songwriter is esteemed for her imaginative interpretations of traditional and contemporary folk standards and her own poetically poignant original compositions. Her stunning rendition of Joni Mitchell's "Both Sides Now" from her landmark 1967 album, *Wildflowers*, has been entered into the Grammy Hall of Fame. Judy's dreamy and sweetly intimate version of "Send in the Clowns," a ballad written by Stephen Sondheim for the Broadway musical *A Little Night Music*, won "Song of the Year" at the 1975 Grammy Awards. She's garnered several top-ten hits gold- and platinum-selling albums. Recently, contemporary and classic artists such as Rufus Wainwright, Shawn Colvin, Dolly Parton, Joan Baez, and Leonard Cohen honored her legacy with the album *Born to the Breed: A Tribute to Judy Collins*.

Judy's most recent collaboration with her as a singer-songwriter is the 2019 album *Winter Stories*, including critically-acclaimed Norwegian folk artist Jonas Fjeld, and masterful Americana band Chatham County Line. *Winter Stories* is a collection of classics, new tunes, and a few surprises, featuring spirited lead vocal turns, breathtaking duets, and Judy's stunning harmony singing.

Judy is as creatively vigorous as ever, writing, touring worldwide, and nurturing fresh talent. She is a modern-day Renaissance woman who is also an accomplished painter, filmmaker, record label head, musical mentor, and an in-demand keynote speaker for mental health and suicide prevention. She continues to create music of hope and healing that lights up the world and speaks to the heart.

If hindsight is 20/20 vision, **Arlo Guthrie** has a vast perspective looking forward. After decades of Arlo perpetually touring, the folksinger is dialing it back a bit, but the road has become a way of life for Arlo: sharing songs and stories, getting to the heart of what really matters, and of course, being a comedic agitator. It's in his blood. It's who he is. It's what he does. Stirring the pot, questioning the powers that be, and reminding us what it's all about with humor and passion.

Initially making a name for himself in the sixties with the iconic "Alice's Restaurant Massacre" and providing perhaps the most often repeated phrase from Woodstock ("The New York State Thruway is closed, man."), Guthrie helped define the singer-songwriter genre burgeoning in the seventies. He's also well-known for his Top 40 hit "The City of New Orleans," and his song "Massachusetts" was named the official folk song of his home state.

With over thirty albums in his discography, an Arlo Guthrie show delivers an astounding time capsule from the works of his dad, Woody Guthrie, to the present day. An evening with Arlo Guthrie will be what it's always been — inspirational, uplifting, intimate, humorous, and affecting.

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: Judy Collins and Arlo Guthrie
DATE: Wednesday, January 20, 2021
TIME: 8:00 p.m.
TICKET PRICE: \$49.50 - \$79.50
MEMBER PRESALE: Monday, June 1, 2020 at 10 a.m.
E-CLUB PRESALE: Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 9 a.m.
PUBLIC ON SALE: Friday, June 5, 2020 at 10 a.m.
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