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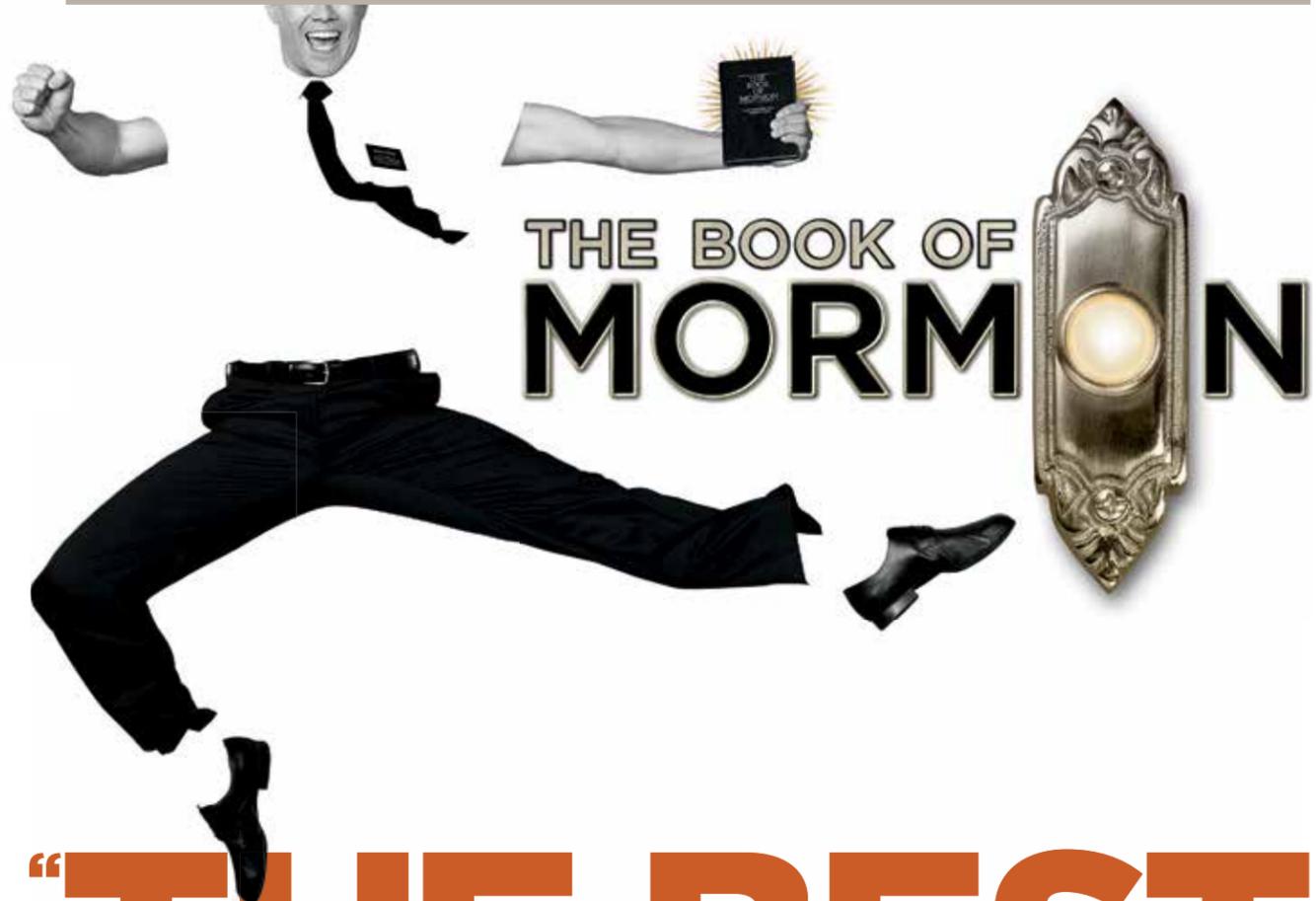
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DECEMBER 11-16, 2018

## INTRODUCING THE 18/19 SEASON!

The Lied Center’s 18/19 season continues our 29-year tradition of bringing the world’s most iconic artists to Lincoln. From Tony Award®-winning musicals to premier orchestras and legendary soloists, over 35 artists and productions will take the Lied stage this season!

Create your own season by becoming a subscriber today. Select any four performances or more and enjoy great seats at the best prices!

**AN EVENING WITH LESLIE ODOM JR.**  
STAR OF BROADWAY’S *HAMILTON*  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2018 ▼ 7:30 PM

Leslie Odom Jr.’s portrayal of Aaron Burr in the original Broadway cast of *Hamilton* won him the 2016 Tony Award® for Best Leading Actor. Don’t throw away your shot to see his Nebraska debut at the Lied Center on opening night of the 18/19 Season!



**NITTY GRITTY DIRT BAND**  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2018 ▼ 7:30 PM

Fresh off its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour, the iconic and profoundly influential Nitty Gritty Dirt Band continues to add to its legendary status. With strings of top-ten hits, such as “Fishin’ in the Dark” and “Mr. Bojangles” as well as multiple GRAMMY® and CMA Awards, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band makes its first stop ever at the Lied Center!



**AN ACT OF GOD**  
SEPTEMBER 26–OCTOBER 14, 2018

The One with the first and last word on everything has finally arrived to set the record straight. After many millennia, and in just 90 minutes, God (assisted by devoted angels), answers some of the deepest questions that have plagued mankind since Creation. Join God and Nebraska Rep for an irreverent night of divine comedy!

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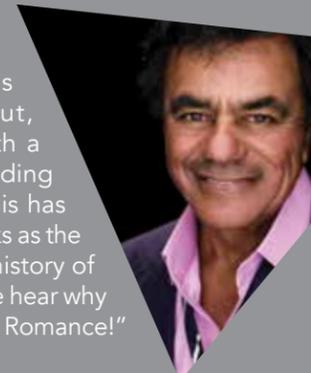
**THE CAPITOL STEPS**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2018 ▼ 7:30 PM

For more than 30 years, the Capitol Steps have been reaching across the aisle to put politics and scandal to music in bipartisan spoofery. Armed with a never-ending supply of fresh material from our elected officials, the Capitol Steps continue to put the ‘mock’ in democracy, with their latest production *Orange is the New Barack!*



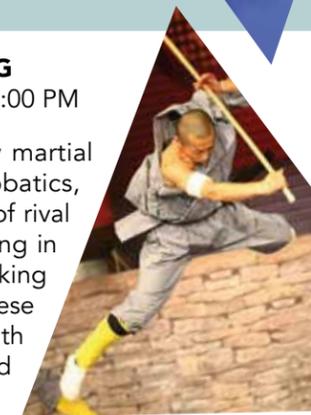
**JOHNNY MATHIS–THE VOICE OF ROMANCE TOUR**  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018 ▼ 7:00 PM

Legendary singer Johnny Mathis makes his Lied Center debut, performing his greatest hits with a live orchestra. With singles including “Chances Are” and “Misty,” Mathis has recorded nearly 80 albums and ranks as the all-time No. 6 album artist in the history of Billboard’s pop album charts. Come hear why Johnny will always be the “Voice of Romance!”



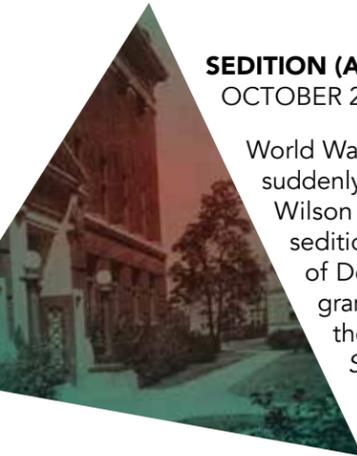
**CHINESE WARRIORS OF PEKING**  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018 ▼ 4:00 PM

Packed with high-intensity martial arts and breathtaking acrobatics, this production tells the tale of rival martial arts disciplines competing in the ancient Chinese capital of Peking during the Ming Dynasty. The Chinese Warriors of Peking have toured with Cirque du Soleil throughout the world and presented incredible theatrical experiences filled with juggling, aerials and live stage combat.



**SEDITION (ANGEL'S THEATRE COMPANY)**  
OCTOBER 25–28, 2018

World War I—the University of Nebraska—suddenly professors who disagree with the Wilson administration are charged with sedition by the Nebraska State Council of Defense. Playwright David Wiltse's grandfather, Andrew Schrag, is among those charged. Should he be fired? *Sedition* examines the moral right to take a stand in a climate where dissent is considered treason.



**THE TEN TENORS**  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018  
▼ 7:30 PM

The TEN Tenors make their Lied Center debut featuring a celebration of musical legends lost before their time, including Prince, David Bowie, John Lennon and more. Australia's "vocal wonder from down under" (*Broadway World*) will take you on a journey from classic rock anthems and top-40s hits to the soaring arias of Verdi!



**THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR AND OTHER ERIC CARLE FAVORITES**  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2019 ▼ 7:00 PM

Amazing puppetry, innovative black-light staging and an original score bring new life to Eric Carle's classics for kids of all ages! Follow a caterpillar on his life journey, with vibrant scenery and colorful foods. Back by popular demand!

Come at 5:30 PM for FamFest with free food and fun educational activities for the whole family!



**RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S THE KING AND I**  
FEBRUARY 1–2, 2019

Set in 1860s Bangkok, two worlds collide in this "breathtaking and exquisite" (*The New York Times*) musical, based on the 2015 Tony Award®-winning Lincoln Center Theater production. One of Rodgers & Hammerstein's finest works, *THE KING AND I* features such classics as "Getting to Know You," "Shall We Dance" and "Something Wonderful."



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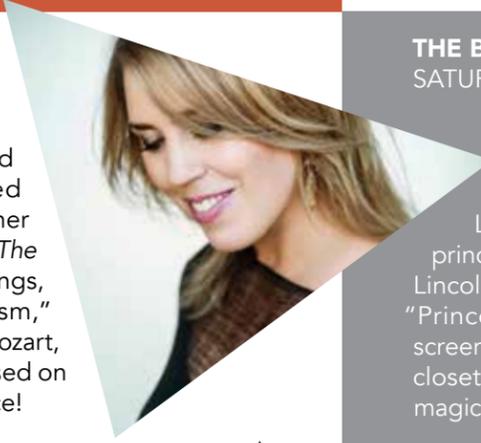
**MARIINSKY ORCHESTRA**  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018 ▼ 7:00 PM

One of the world's top 15 symphony orchestras, the Mariinsky Orchestra with renowned conductor Valery Gergiev, performs its first-ever Lied Center concert. Highlights for this grand performance include: Mahler's triumphant Symphony No. 5, Debussy's Prelude to the afternoon of the faun and Rachmaninov's Paganini Variations with piano soloist Denis Matsuev.



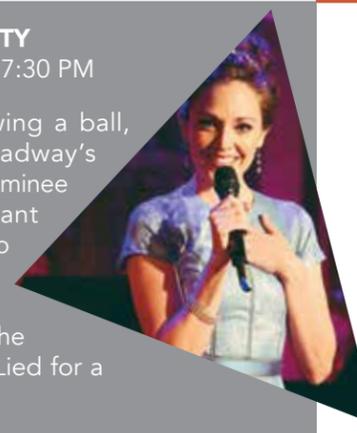
**GABRIELA MONTERO, PIANO**  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018  
▼ 7:30 PM

Gabriela Montero has garnered critical acclaim and a devoted following on the world stage for her visionary interpretations. Praised by *The New York Times* for "subtle shadings, steely power . . . soulful lyricism," Montero's Lied premiere features Mozart, Beethoven and improvisations based on themes suggested by the audience!



**THE BROADWAY PRINCESS PARTY**  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

The princesses are throwing a ball, and you're invited! Broadway's Cinderella, Tony Award® nominee Laura Osnes, and her radiant princess friends make their way to Lincoln to sing the most beloved "Princess" songs of stage and screen. Get your ball gown out of the closet and make your way to the Lied for a magical Broadway Princess Party!



**CHRIS BOTTI**  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Chris Botti counts artists like Yo-Yo Ma, Steven Tyler, Herbie Hancock and Michael Bublé among his millions of fans. Featuring jazz standards, famous masterpieces and pop music classics, the multi-GRAMMY® Award-winning trumpeter, with his lock-tight band, will conjure up a magical music experience for his encore performance at the Lied Center.



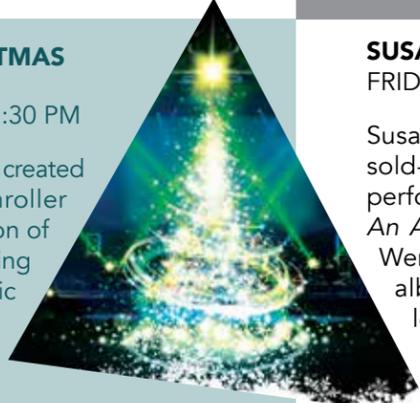
**BALLET FOLKLÓRICO DE MEXICO**  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018 ▼ 7:30 PM

Long before *Riverdance*, Amalia Hernandez understood the power of rhythmic thunder. Hernandez's Ballet Folklórico is one of the most celebrated folk ensembles in the world. This 60-member artist ensemble, complete with full mariachi band, returns for an encore performance showcasing the music, dance and costumes of Mexican folklore from pre-Colombian through the modern era.



**MANNHEIM STEAMROLLER CHRISTMAS BY CHIP DAVIS**  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2018 ▼ 7:30 PM

GRAMMY® Award-winner Chip Davis has created a show featuring Mannheim Steamroller Christmas classics along with a selection of compositions from Davis' groundbreaking *Fresh Aire* series. Experience the magic as the spirit of the season comes alive with the signature sound of Mannheim Steamroller, an American favorite holiday tradition for over 30 years!



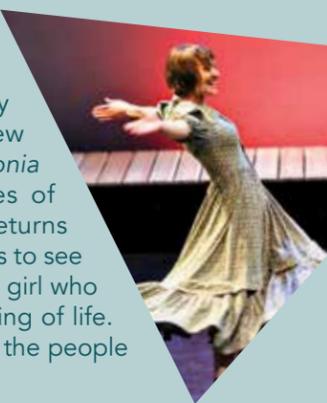
**SUSAN WERNER**  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Susan Werner returns to Lincoln after sold-out shows across the country to perform music from her latest album, *An American in Havana*. Inspired by Werner's recent travels to Cuba, the album features arrangements by legendary Cuban percussionist Mayra Casales, along with Werner's trademark song craft and wry, poetic lyrics.



**MY ÁNTONIA**  
FEBRUARY 7–9, 2019

Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Willa Cather's novel, this new theatrical adaptation of *My Ántonia* is told through the memories of narrator Jim Burden. Jim returns to Nebraska after 20 years to see Ántonia, the immigrant girl who shaped his understanding of life. Experience Cather's tale of the people and land of the Great Plains.



**SPAMALOT**  
NOVEMBER 2–3, 2018

The Tony Award®-winning Best Musical, Monty Python's *Spamalot* tells the tale of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table as they embark on their quest for the Holy Grail. Flying cows, killer rabbits, taunting Frenchmen and show-stopping musical numbers have audiences worldwide eating up *Spamalot*!

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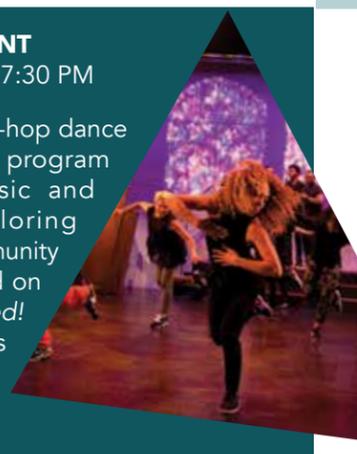
**PAUL SHAFFER & NEBRASKA JAZZ ORCHESTRA**  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

For 33 years, GRAMMY® winner Paul Shaffer served as David Letterman's musical director. He was a featured performer and composer for *Saturday Night Live* and musical director for the Blues Brothers—John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd. Come see this musical and comedy legend perform with the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra!



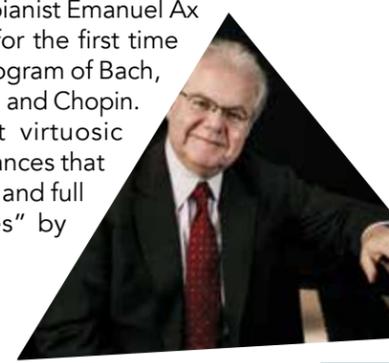
**RENNIE HARRIS PUREMOVEMENT**  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Experience the world's leading hip-hop dance theatre company perform a program combining gospel music and hip-hop culture, exploring contemporary issues of community and spirituality. Loosely based on Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, *Lifted!* follows a young black man who is surrounded and supported by his church community.



**EMANUEL AX, PIANO**  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019 ▼ 4:00 PM

GRAMMY® Award-winning pianist Emanuel Ax returns to the Lied Center for the first time since 2012, performing a program of Bach, Schoenberg, Schuman, Ravel and Chopin. One of the world's most virtuosic pianists, Ax gives performances that have been called "poetic and full of illuminating touches" by *The New York Times*.





**DUTCHMAN**  
FEBRUARY 13–24, 2019

A conversation on a subway turns vicious as Dutchman's two passengers, a white woman and a young black man, flirt with race and rage. Amiri Baraka's Obie-winning drama exerts an incendiary power as it dares to uncover the anger and fear buried below polite American decorum. Join Nebraska Rep as we honor Black History Month with this historic and relevant drama.

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**A CELTIC CELEBRATION**  
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

It's all in the family when master musicians Natalie MacMaster and Donnell Leahy take the Lied stage and are joined by their virtuosic children! The evening highlights fiery fiddling, step dancing, singing and world-class music-making. This fierce fiddling duo commands the stage with raw energy and passion that enhances their traditional Celtic heritage.



**HAIR**  
MARCH 27–APRIL 7, 2019

The Rep lets the sunshine in with the classic rock musical *HAIR*. 50 years after its premiere, the show continues to assault the status quo, while shining a light on the power of love over hate, peace over war, freedom over repression and hope over despair. Overflowing with free love, buzzing with youthful energy and pulsing with iconic rock anthems, the Age of Aquarius is back!

*This performance contains nudity, adult language, content and themes.*



**THE UKULELE ORCHESTRA OF GREAT BRITAIN**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019 ▼ 4:00 PM

The world-renowned ukulele superstars come to the Lied with their toe-tapping music, hilarious banter and sheer superlative entertainment. They are masters of the unexpected known for re-imagining folk songs, twisting classical favorites and uncovering quirky versions of rock covers. Featuring only ukuleles and a menagerie of voices, the group has become a global sensation!



**A CELEBRATION OF MUSIC AND MILESTONE, N 150**  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Celebrate the most beloved music of the past 150 years, combined with highlights of University of Nebraska-Lincoln and world history milestones. Enjoy this monumental performance featuring students, faculty and distinguished alumni from the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts, Glenn Korff School of Music and the Nebraska Repertory Theatre.

**THE POLAR BEARS GO UP**  
MARCH 7–8, 2019

The Polar Bears are moving up in the world. They've lost their balloon, and they need to get it back. It's time to get up, step up, climb up, jump up. These two lovable Polar Bears are intrepid explorers, famous for their wild expeditions. They'll be climbing trees, jumping on clouds and reaching for the stars and, of course, for sandwiches on the way!



**SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Led by 11-time GRAMMY® Award-winning conductor Michael Tilson Thomas, the San Francisco Symphony returns to the Lied with a program that includes Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor with soloist Alexander Kerr and Sibelius' Symphony No. 2 in D major. This is the symphony's final season under the direction of its legendary conductor.



**TAP DOGS**  
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

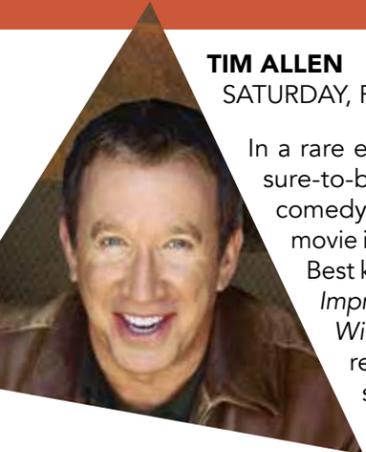
Internationally acclaimed TAP DOGS is the hottest show on legs. Hailing from Australia, this sexy, fast and fabulous tap show combines part theater, part rock concert with part construction site. Performing against all challenges—whether in water, upside-down or jumping through scaffolding—the TAP DOGS move to the groove of their own beat.



**TIM ALLEN**  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

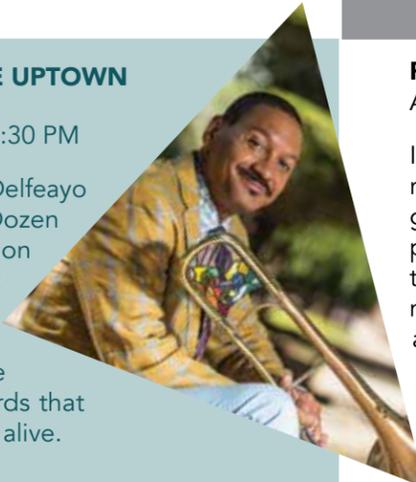
In a rare evening of lively, outlandish and sure-to-be outrageously funny stand-up comedy, funny man, TV personality and movie icon Tim Allen performs in Lincoln! Best known for his iconic roles in *Home Improvement*, *Toy Story*, *Santa Clause*, *Wild Hogs* and many more, he has reached an international level of super stardom.

*For mature audiences 18-and-older.*



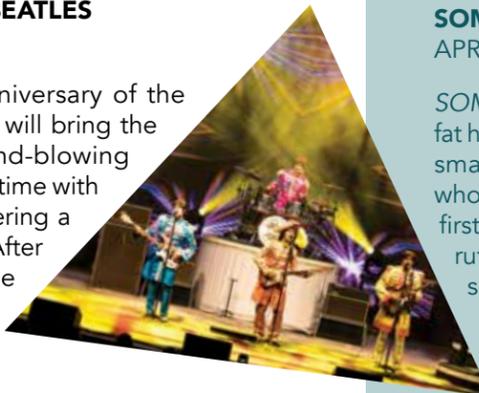
**DELFEAYO MARSALIS AND THE UPTOWN JAZZ ORCHESTRA**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Under the direction of trombonist Delfeayo Marsalis and anchored by Dirty Dozen Brass Band founder Roger Lewis on baritone sax, the Uptown Jazz Orchestra sings and swings with confidence and soul . . . all night long! Direct from New Orleans, the band performs blues and standards that keep the old-school jazz traditions alive.



**RAIN – A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES**  
APRIL 2–3, 2019

In celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the release of *Abbey Road*, RAIN will bring the greatest hits to life. This mind-blowing performance takes you back in time with the legendary foursome delivering a note-for-note theatrical event. After a sold-out Lied performance in 2009, RAIN returns to celebrate the world's most iconic band.



**SOMETHING ROTTEN!**  
APRIL 26–27, 2019

*SOMETHING ROTTEN!* is "Broadway's big, fat hit!" (*NY Post*). Set in 1595, this hilarious smash tells the story of two brothers who set out to write the world's very first MUSICAL! With its heart on its ruffled sleeve and sequins in its soul, it's "*The Producers* + *Spamalot* + *The Book of Mormon*. Squared!" (*New York Magazine*).



**RENT 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TOUR**  
MARCH 1–2, 2019

This Pulitzer Prize- and Tony Award®-winning masterpiece returns to the stage in a vibrant 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary touring production. With its inspiring message of joy and hope in the face of fear, this timeless celebration of friendship and creativity reminds us to measure our lives with the only thing that truly matters—love.

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**PURPLE REIGN, THE PRINCE TRIBUTE SHOW**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

Direct from Vegas, you'll hear all the hits, including "When Doves Cry," "Little Red Corvette" and "Kiss." The first tribute act to ever appear as the musical guest on the *Late Show with David Letterman*, Jason Tenner has the voice, the moves and the talent to re-create The Artist experience. Party like it's 1999 at this rock concert with seductive dancing and a spectacular light show!

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**COMPLEXIONS CONTEMPORARY BALLET STAR DUST: A TRIBUTE TO DAVID BOWIE**  
THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019 ▼ 7:30 PM

With technical precision, power and passion, Complexions transcends tradition with a groundbreaking mix of styles ranging from ballet to hip-hop. Led by former Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater virtuosos and *So You Think You Can Dance* alums, the company will dazzle and thrill with fiercely kinetic choreography set to David Bowie's best-loved songs.

