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**BEN HARPER & THE INNOCENT CRIMINALS
WITH SPECIAL GUEST THE JACK MOVES
ARE COMING TO THE MYSTIC SHOWROOM OCT. 15**

Tickets on sale April 7

PRIOR LAKE, Minn. – April 5, 2023 – Grammy-winning musicians Ben Harper & The Innocent Criminals are coming to the Mystic Showroom with special guest The Jack Moves at 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15.

Ben Harper was raised in a hub of activists, poets, artists and great musicians such as Leonard Cohen, Jackson Browne and Taj Mahal. His music and career embodies that musical brilliance, open-mindedness, lyrical honesty and abiding social activism of the time.

With over 15 million records sold worldwide, the career of this award-winning musician, producer, activist and record label founder spans decades. Harper has been established as a singularly powerful songwriter and performer with range across multiple genres. He has a rare ability to blend the personal and political.

Harper teamed up with Charlie Musselwhite in 2013 to create “Get Up!” which won a Grammy for Best Blues Album and the Grammy-nominated “No Mercy in This Land,” which won the Blues Foundation Best Blues Song of the Year.

Harper’s credits as a producer illustrate his musical curiosity and include an impressive diversity including Tom Freud’s “Collapsible Plans,” Grace Woodroffe’s “Always Want,” Natalie Maines’ “Mother” and Mavis Staples’ “We Get By.” For many of these artists, Harper not only produced the music but also helped find a label to release it.

Harper broke more new ground in 2020 with the release of his first ever instrumental record “Winter Is for Lovers.” Unfolding entirely without words, the record is a profoundly emotional story told exclusively through the nuance of sound. For more information, visit benharper.com.

TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets to see Ben Harper & The Innocent Criminals with special guest The Jack Moves at 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, in the Mystic Showroom will be available April 7 starting at \$39. Contact the Mystic Box Office at 952-496-6563 or visit mysticlake.com for more details.

Event: Ben Harper & The Innocent Criminals
with special guest The Jack Moves
Date & Time: 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023
Place: Mystic Showroom®
Tickets: Starting at \$39
On sale: 10 a.m. Friday, April 7, 2023

ABOUT BEN HARPER & THE INNOCENT CRIMINALS

Harper released his debut, "Welcome to the Cruel World," in 1994. The album was created with musicians who would eventually become known as The Innocent Criminals (percussionist Leon Mobley, bassist Juan Nelson and drummer Oliver Charles).

The band comes from different places musically and complement each other because of the different styles that they play. This led to a string of successful and critically acclaimed albums like "Fight for Your Mind," "The Will to Live," "Burn to Shine," "Live from Mars," "Diamonds on the Inside," "Both Sides of the Gun" and "Lifeline."

Harper's need to continually explore every aspect of creating music has led him to some brilliant and highly acclaimed collaborations, both as a performer and as a producer. In 2004, Harper and The Innocent Criminals backed The Blind Boys of Alabama resulting in the collaborative album "There Will Be a Light." They were awarded the Grammy for Best Traditional Soul Gospel Album, and Harper won a Grammy for Best Pop Instrumental Performance.

ABOUT MYSTIC LAKE CASINO HOTEL

Owned and operated by the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, Mystic Lake Casino Hotel is the premier gaming facility in the Midwest. Mystic Lake® creates original and exciting entertainment experiences for its guests with gaming, distinctive bars and restaurants, indoor and outdoor concert venues, unique special events, and luxurious accommodations, all just 25 minutes southwest of Minneapolis/Saint Paul. In 2018, Mystic Lake opened Mystic Lake Center®, a new event space and hotel tower. Offering state-of-the-art technology, this 70,000-square-foot venue hosts groups of all sizes for conferences, expos, weddings and other events. With 766 new and renovated modern hotel rooms, Mystic Lake is one of the largest hotels in the Twin Cities area.

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