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You Won't Believe What They Look Like Today... comedy legends, frequent collaborators, and friends @SteveMartin & @MartinShort bring their new show to the @KimmelCC (X/Twitter)/@KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook/Instagram) on 10/27. For more info, visit [www.kimmelculturalcampus.org](http://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org).

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## **KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS COMEDY LEGENDS, CULTURAL ICONS, AND AWARD-WINNING STARS, STEVE MARTIN & MARTIN SHORT, FOR A ONE-NIGHT-ONLY PERFORMANCE, OCTOBER 27, 2023**

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and an Honorary Academy Award®**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (September 13, 2023)** – The Kimmel Cultural Campus, in association with Larry Magid Entertainment (LME), presents two of the funniest, most influential and acclaimed talents of the past century, **Steve Martin & Martin Short**, at the Academy of Music on Friday, October 27, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. They will be joined by special guests Jeff Babko and The Steep Canyon Rangers.

***You Won't Believe What They Look Like Today!*** is a show that redefines the form in unexpected and profound ways. Their humor is often subversive, but it is always a joyous self-deprecating romp from two comedy masters driven to make each other laugh as much as the audience.

"We are delighted to welcome comedy legends Steve Martin and Martin Short back to the Academy of Music this fall," said Matias Tarnopolsky, president and CEO of The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Center, Inc. "Their previous appearance on the Academy stage was memorable and hilarious, and we greatly look forward to enjoying their unrivaled talent and magnetic charm at the Academy once again."

The jokes come at you at a rapid-fire pace with little setup and big punch lines as they mock Hollywood and the fickle nature of celebrity, but the comedy truly soars when they lovingly (and relentlessly) roast each other. Martin and Short's chemistry and timing on stage reflects a

friendship forged over three decades, beginning when they met for the first time on the set of the 1986 film, *Three Amigos*. These two titans of comedy have been touring together since 2015, when they launched their first live show entitled *A Very Stupid Conversation*.

In 2018, they released their Netflix special *An Evening You Will Forget for the Rest of Your Life*, for which they received three Primetime Emmy® Award nominations. In 2021, Steve Martin co-created and starred in his first television show *Only Murders in the Building* alongside Short and Selena Gomez. Both Martin and Short earned Primetime Emmy® Award nominations, Screen Actors Guild Award nominations, and Golden Globe® Award nominations for their roles, and Short also received a Critics' Choice Television Award nomination.

Steve Martin has won five Grammy® Awards, a Primetime Emmy® Award, and an Honorary Academy Award®. He was also nominated for two Tony® Awards for his musical *Bright Star* in 2016. He has received the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor, the Kennedy Center Honor, and an AFI Life Achievement Award. In 2004, Comedy Central ranked Martin at sixth place in a list of the *100 Greatest Stand-up Comics*. Martin has appeared on twenty-seven *Saturday Night Live* shows and guest-hosted fifteen times.

Martin Short has received various awards, including two Primetime Emmy® Awards and a Tony Award®. Short joined the improvisation group The Second City in Toronto, Ontario, in 1977. He came to public notice when the group produced a show for television, *Second City Television (SCTV)*. Short appeared on SCTV in 1982-83 and developed several characters before moving on to *Saturday Night Live* for the 1984-85 season. Short starred in Broadway productions, including Neil Simon's musicals *The Goodbye Girl* and *Little Me*. *Little Me* earned him a Tony Award® for Best Actor in a Musical. In 2019, Martin Short became an Officer of the Order of Canada and has received medals from the late Queen Elizabeth II, including in the 2002 Golden Jubilee and in the 2012 Diamond Jubilee.

Other featured upcoming performances on the Kimmel Cultural Campus include **Eddie Izzard – The Remix: The First 35 Years** (September 14 – 15, Miller Theater); **Tony Hinchcliffe: Fully Groan Tour** (September 29, 2023, Miller Theater); **Sir Patrick Stewart: Making it So** (October 3, 2023, Perelman Theater); **My Brother, My Brother and Me** (October 11, 2023, Miller Theater); **Aunty Donna: The Magical Dead Cat Tour** (October 7, 2023, Perelman Theater); **Nurse Blake: Shock Advised Tour** (October 14, 2023, Miller Theater); **Loreena McKennitt: The Visit Revisited 30th Anniversary Tour** (October 20, 2023, Miller Theater); **The Moth Mainstage** (October 21, 2023, Miller Theater); **A Tribute to Jerry Blavat** (October 21, 2023, Academy of Music); **An Evening with the Late John Cleese** (October 25, 2023, Academy of Music); **Golden Girls – The Laughs Continue** (October 27 – 28, 2023, Miller Theater); **The Wait Wait Stand Up Tour** (November 10, 2023, Miller Theater); **Jimmy Carr: Terribly Funny** (November 11, 2023, Miller Theater); **Ira Glass and Etgar Keret** (November 15, 2023, Miller Theater) and **David Spade: Catch Me Inside** (December 2, 2023, Miller Theater).

### **Tickets**

Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999 or online at [www.kimmelculturalcampus.org](http://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org). In-person ticket sales can be conducted daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Academy of Music Box Office, located at 240 S. Broad Street. See [www.kimmelculturalcampus.org](http://www.kimmelculturalcampus.org) for more information.

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### **KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS**

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1-million guests per year and includes Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), the Academy of Music, and the Miller Theater (formerly the Merriam Theater) – representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to The Philadelphia Orchestra and esteemed Resident Companies: Opera Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, PHILADANCO, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and Curtis Institute of Music. With nearly 9,000 seats per night, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. Read Kimmel Cultural Campus' vision statement, world view, and mission statement [here](#). Learn more about our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it encompasses our mission, coworkers, and programs [here](#).

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