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UNITY EARTH: LIFTOFF

AN INTERACTIVE CONCERT FOR U.N. WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK

NEW YORK, NEW YORK: UNITY EARTH, a global network building a movement towards unity and peace, is launching its international tour with an unforgettable event this February 2nd in New York City. Bringing together musicians, indigenous leaders, diplomats, scientists, peacemakers, interfaith and faith-based activists, the all-ages event is part of the United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week.

Building on years of international productions by UNITY EARTH, this event brings together a host of interdisciplinary performers who fuse music, dance, projected video, and participatory engagement. Set in the historic United Palace, an original Loew's "Wonder Theater" that opened in Washington Heights in 1930, the event is built in partnership with the spiritual artistry center, providing an awe-inspiring visual backdrop for this worldwide celebration of peace and collaboration with its rich fusion of international decorative motifs.

Creative Director Rhiannon Catalyst, whose past curating credits include events for The Rubin Museum, Figment Festival, and award-winning NYC venue The Lunarium, weaves together a cast of globally-renowned touring artists including BELLA GAIA, a NASA-powered live concert that blends music, technology, and satellite imagery to illuminate our interconnectedness and turn the stage planetary. International artists include British reggae legend Pato Banton and Chinese meditative chanting artist Mystic Voice. The event also features major NYC-based talents including holistic hip-hop legend Akim Funk Buddha (with his dance troupe the Bonsai Lab), Juilliard-trained vocalist Kristin Hoffmann, and indigenous Caribbean (Taino) & Spanish master percussionist William Ruiz.

The concert will begin with an opening ceremony led by Ramapough-Lunaape Chief Dwaine Perry with visiting indigenous leaders, and Diné musician, poet and activist Lyla June will also perform. Guest speakers include Karenna Gore, Mary Evelyn Tucker, Jean Houston and many others, as well as representatives from China, Korea, Africa, and the Middle East.

UNITY EARTH: LIFT OFF is the official launch event for the Caravan of Unity Across America, a cross-country tour to take place in September 2020, ending in New York City on the International Day of Peace. The Caravan will be the finale on The Road to 2020, a global event series which has included multicultural and interfaith events in Toronto, Rome, Ethiopia, Australia and others since 2016. The series is designed to engage individuals and organizations who are passionate about social justice, arts, ecology, wisdom and healing traditions, bringing together grassroots movements to further the cause of worldwide unity and peace.

DATE: Saturday February 2nd, 3:00PM - 6:30PM

LOCATION: United Palace 4140 Broadway at 175th St. New York, NY

INFORMATION AND TICKETS ONLINE AT: www.unity.earth

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