

# **GRAMMY MUSEUM® ANNOUNCES** sunday BRUNCH WITH...

## JASON MRAZ LAUNCHES NEW PROGRAM SERIES, PRESENTED BY UNION BANK, AT VERSE LA ON APRIL $\mathbf{2}$

- WHO: Jason Mraz
- **WHAT:** The GRAMMY Museum<sup>®</sup>'s *Sunday Brunch With…* is a new fundraising event series in support of the Museum's GRAMMY In The Schools education programs.

Launching the inaugural "Sunday Brunch", the Museum is thrilled to team up with the incredible Jason Mraz and the renowned VERSE LA, located in Toluca Lake, for a morning of great music and food. Guests will dine on a three-course brunch while enjoying music performed by a jazz trio put together by a GRAMMY In The Schools education program alumni. Following the meal, guests will be treated to a rare, up close, and personal 45-minute performance from two-time GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> Award-winner Jason Mraz to close out the afternoon.

This inaugural event is presented by <u>Union Bank</u> and generously supported by VERSE LA, which is owned by long-time GRAMMY Museum supporter and 17-time GRAMMY Award-winning mixer, Manny Marroquin. Proceeds from the event will benefit the GRAMMY Museum's music education programs, which annually impact more than 35,000 K-12 students and teachers across the country.

- WHEN: Sun, April 2 at 12:00 p.m.
- WHERE: VERSE LA 4212 Lankershim Blvd, Toluca Lake, CA 91602

Tickets and more info here.

#### ABOUT THE GRAMMY MUSEUM

Established in 2008, the GRAMMY Museum is a nonprofit organization dedicated to cultivating a greater understanding of the history and significance of music through exhibits, education, grants, preservation initiatives, and public programming. Paying tribute to our collective musical heritage, the Museum explores and celebrates all aspects of the art form — from the technology of the recording process to the legends who've made lasting marks on our cultural identity.

For more information, visit <u>www.grammymuseum.org</u>, "like" the GRAMMY Museum on Facebook, and follow @GRAMMYMuseum on Twitter and Instagram.

## ABOUT JASON MRAZ:



Jason Mraz is living full spiral. It's not full circle, exactly, because he's changed and his experiences have changed, but on his eight studio album, *Mystical Magical Rhythmical Radical Ride*, the musician has found himself returning to a familiar junction in space. Throughout the album, there are hints of Mraz's formative releases, including his 2002 debut *Waiting For My Rocket to Come* and 2005's *Mr. A-Z*, but it ultimately finds a kinship with 2008's *We Sing. We Dance. We Steal Things*. The new songs, which are unabashedly pop, see Mraz reuniting with numerous collaborators, including L.A. band Raining Jane and producer Martin Terefe, who helmed the 2008 breakout album. The songs grapple with the emotions and experiences that come with being in your mid-life, a time that is often ignored by pop songwriters. Its optimistic, inspiring sensibility reflects the musician's overall approach to being in the world. It is, in fact, full spiral, reflecting the past but becoming something new.

For Mraz, *Mystical Magical Rhythmical Radical Ride* is another step forward on the unpredictable journey of life. Its optimistic, inspiring sensibility reflects the musician's overall approach to being in the world. He continues to run his organic home farm, Mraz Family Farms, which grows coffee and avocados, and his nonprofit the Jason Mraz Foundation, which has a mission of shining for inclusive arts education, food security and the advancement of equality. He donated all of the profits from Look For The Good to various charities, and actively advocates for equality, climate preservation and arts education. Mraz, a two-time GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> winner, Songwriters Hall of Fame Honoree and spokesperson for the Good Tidings Foundation, always aims to use his position to empower others and inspire real-world change and positivity. It's something he will carry with him as he moves into the next spiral, and one after that, and into infinity.

## ABOUT VERSE LA:

<u>VERSE LA</u>, located in the Toluca Lake neighborhood, offers one of the most perfectly acoustic dining environments in the world. VERSE LA is elegantly appointed and features locally grown, Angeleno Cuisine. Be prepared to go on a culinary and sonic journey.

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