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**BILLY JOEL SET TO MAKE HISTORIC DEBUT AT FALLSVIEW CASINO**

Legendary musician to Celebrate New State-of-the-Art 5,000-Seat Theatre during Grand Opening of OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino

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**(Niagara Falls, ON) November 15, 2022** – Fallsview Casino Resort, Mohegan and the OLG are thrilled to announce one of the greatest singer/songwriter/composers of all time; Billy Joel will perform at the grand opening for the new OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino on February 25, 2023 with a history-making performance - marking the next chapter in the songwriter's longstanding relationship with Mohegan.

One of the biggest concert draws in the world, Joel has sold over 160 million records worldwide. He is also the recipient of six Grammy® Awards, including the prestigious Grammy Legend Award. Joel has been inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and has received numerous industry awards including a Tony for "Movin' Out," a Broadway musical based on Joel's music.

Billy Joel has been entertaining crowds with his music and incredible on-stage presence since 1972. His hits include *Big Shot*, *Piano Man*, and *It's Still Rock and Roll to Me*, to name just a few – and he has performed at the world's most prestigious venues, including a 10-show residency at Mohegan Sun Arena. The award-winning venue, located at Mohegan's flagship property in Uncasville, CT, played host to Joel's first-ever residency that drew more than 100,000 people to witness the living legend first-hand.

"From the time we opened the conversation about bringing a world class venue to Niagara we knew the OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino was going enhance the entertainment landscape of Niagara," says Richard Taylor, President of Casinos Niagara. "Today, with this announcement of a true Rock & Roll Hall of Famer and cultural icon as our grand opening act, we are achieving that goal."

"Niagara Casinos has always had amazing performances and in partnership with Mohegan will continue to raise the bar in entertainment," says Taylor.

Mohegan, the service provider for Fallsview Casino Resort and Casino Niagara, has long delivered top-notch performers. When it comes to live music and entertainment, top headlining concerts and premier sporting events, Mohegan is the leader in entertainment and award-winning venues.

"At Mohegan, we are no stranger to securing world-class performers and providing bucket-list calibre entertainment for our guests," said Ray Pineault, Mohegan CEO and President. "The grand opening

performance at the OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino will be no exception. We look forward to watching our old friend grace the stage at this show, and to the many inspiring, exhilarating, unforgettable performances that will undoubtedly follow.”

On August 31 of this year, Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) and Mohegan announced their new partnership to name the entertainment centre the OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino.

“OLG is very excited to showcase the spectacular new OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino with an incredible award-winning performer like Billy Joel for the grand opening celebration”, said Duncan Hannay, OLG’s President and CEO. “This state-of-the-art 5000 seat entertainment centre will draw world-class entertainment that will enhance the experience for residents and the growing number of visitors to the Niagara region for years to come. The OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino is yet another great demonstration of OLG’s purpose to ‘Play for Ontario’

The OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino opened in October 2022 and has begun hosting world class entertainment including Canada’s Got Talent, +LIVE+, and The Lumineers. Upcoming shows include Blue Rodeo, Michael Bolton, Larry the Cable Guy, Don Felder and the Impractical Jokers.

### **Show dates & performances**

**Billy Joel**

**February 25, 2023 at 8PM**

**Tickets start at \$175**

### **Tickets**

Tickets go on sale Friday, November 25 at 10am. Visit [www.ticketmaster.ca](http://www.ticketmaster.ca)

### **Related Links**

The OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino: <https://fallsviewcasinoresort.com/entertainment>

Buy Tickets: <https://www.ticketmaster.ca>

### **About Billy Joel**

New York’s quintessential son, Billy Joel, is one of the greatest musicians of our time. Joel ranks as one of the most popular recording artists and respected entertainers in history. The singer, songwriter, and composer is the sixth best-selling recording artist of all time and the third best-selling solo artist. Joel’s songs have acted as personal and cultural touchstones for millions of people across five decades.

Joel’s biggest hits include “Uptown Girl,” “Just The Way You Are,” “The Longest Time,” and “Vienna,” among others. In 2016, the Library of Congress selected “Piano Man” for preservation in the National Recording Registry for its “cultural, historic, and artistic significance.”

Joel is also the recipient of six Grammy Awards, including the prestigious Grammy Legend Award. Joel has received the RIAA’s Diamond Award twice for “Greatest Hits Volume I & Volume II” and “The Stranger.” Joel has been inducted into the Songwriter’s Hall of Fame, the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and has received numerous industry awards, including a Tony Award for “Movin’ Out,” a Broadway musical based on Joel’s music.

Joel has also performed alongside other music greats at two of Madison Square Garden’s most extraordinary benefit concerts – “12-12-12, The Concert For Sandy Relief,” which raised awareness and money for those

affected by Hurricane Sandy and “The Concert for New York City,” which was held to help aid 9/11 victims and heroes

#### **About Fallsview Casino Resort**

Overlooking the world-famous Horseshoe Falls, Fallsview Casino Resort is an award-winning resort that has been offering premier entertainment and superior guest service since 2004. Featuring a hotel with 372 luxury rooms and suites, Fallsview Casino Resort houses a large and impressive gaming floor with more than 3,500 slot machines and 130 gaming tables. Winner of the Wine Spectator’s Best of Award of Excellence for its two signature restaurants, Ponte Vecchio and 21 Club Steak & Seafood, this vibrant resort property also features a full-service spa and fitness centre, the state-of-the-art 1,500-seat Avalon Theatre, the 5,000-seat OLG Stage at Fallsview Casino, dozens of dining and shopping options, and more than 30,000 square feet of meeting and convention space. For more information, visit [fallsviewcasinoresort.com](http://fallsviewcasinoresort.com), join us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @fallsviewcasino, or call 1-888-325-5788.

#### **About Mohegan**

Mohegan is the owner, developer and manager of premier entertainment resorts in the United States, Canada, and Northern Asia. Mohegan’s U.S. operations include resorts in Connecticut, Washington, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Nevada; Canadian operations are based in Niagara Falls; and Mohegan Inspire is located in Incheon, South Korea. The brand’s iGaming division, Mohegan Digital, provides cutting-edge online gaming solutions to Mohegan’s loyal fan base and meets the digital needs of customers on a global scale. Mohegan is owner and operator of Connecticut Sun, a professional basketball team in the WNBA. For more information on Mohegan and its properties, please visit [www.mohegangaming.com](http://www.mohegangaming.com).

#### **About OLG**

OLG is a crown agency that contributes to a better Ontario by delivering great entertainment experiences for our customers. Acting in a socially responsible way, OLG conducts and manages land-based gaming facilities; the sale of province-wide lottery games; Internet gaming; and the delivery of bingo and other electronic gaming products at Charitable Gaming Centres. OLG is also helping support the horse racing industry in Ontario. Since 1975, OLG has provided approximately \$55 billion to the people and Province of Ontario to support key government priorities like health care; the treatment and prevention of problem gambling; and support for amateur athletes. Each year proceeds from OLG's operations also support host communities, Ontario First Nations, lottery retailers and local charities across the province.