

ANDY GARCIA AND THE CINESON ALL STARS TO PLAY EXCLUSIVE CONCERT IN THE GIL CATES THEATER AT THE GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 AT 8:00 PM

LOS ANGELES (July 21, 2015) – Grammy and Latin Grammy Award-winner **Andy Garcia** brings his Cuban musical group, **Andy Garcia and The CineSon All Stars**, to the Gil Cates Theater at the Geffen Playhouse for a one-night-only concert on Saturday, August 22 at 8:00 pm.

Garcia and The CineSon All Stars have performed in venues and festivals around the world including Italy, France and Russia. The band has performed at Radio City Music Hall, The Palazzo, Las Vegas, Nokia Theatre, Spoleto Music Festival, Conga Room, Catalina's, BB Kings, Sob's, Greek Theatre, Hollywood Bowl and a special performance at Vibiana in Los Angeles for the Latin Recording Academy Grammy Acoustic Sessions. Garcia was recently presented the Latin Songwriters Hall of Fame's La Musa Living Legend Award.

Alongside his Oscar, Golden Globe and Emmy Nominations as an actor, Garcia is a Grammy and Latin Grammy Award-winning music producer and performer. He worked extensively with the legendary Afro Cuban bassist Cachao – as a musician/vocalist and album producer on "Cachao Master Sessions" Volumes I (1994 Grammy Winner) and Volume II (1995 Grammy Nominee and 1996 DownBeat Critics Poll Album of the Year); "Cachao - Cuba Linda," his third collaboration with Maestro Cachao (2001 Grammy Award; 2000 Latin Grammy Award nominee); and the 2004 release, "Cachao - jAhora Sí!" (Grammy and Latin Grammy for best Traditional Tropical Album).

Garcia made his directorial debut with *Cachao … Como Su Ritmo No Hay Dos* (*Like His Rhythm There Is No Other*) a feature-length documentary concert film with composer Israel Lopez. The CineSon All Stars, comprised of many members of Cachao's original band, also recorded with Garcia on his own original score for *The Lost City* – Garcia's film which he directed and in which he appeared. Garcia also produced and performed on numerous songs for the film *Just the Ticket*.

A longtime collaborator with Arturo Sandoval, Garcia composed the song "Christmas In Conway," the end credits to his film of the same name; produced the soundtrack with Sandoval for Garcia's film At *Middleton* and its bonus DVD track "There Was A Day;" and produced and performed on the *For Love or Country: The Arturo Sandoval Story* score for which he received an Emmy Award.

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ANDY GARCIA AND THE CINESON ALL STARS Saturday, August 22, 2015 8:00 pm Casamigos Tequila and dessert reception will follow the event and is open to all ticket holders.

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TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets (currently ranging from \$29 to \$79) are available via phone at 310.208.5454 or online at <u>www.geffenplayhouse.com</u>. Fees apply. Tickets purchased at the box office window must remain at will call until the day of the event.

LOCATION

Gil Cates Theater at the Geffen Playhouse 10886 Le Conte Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024

ABOUT GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE

Geffen Playhouse has been a hub of the Los Angeles theater scene since opening its doors in 1995. Noted for its intimacy and celebrated for its world-renowned mix of classic and contemporary plays, provocative new works and second productions, the not-for-profit organization continues to present a body of work that has garnered national recognition. Named in honor of entertainment mogul and philanthropist David Geffen, who made the initial donation to the theater, the company was founded by Gilbert Cates, and is currently helmed by Artistic Director Randall Arney, Executive Director Gil Cates, Jr., and Co-Chairs of the Board Martha Henderson and Pamela Robinson Hollander. Proudly associated with UCLA, the Geffen welcomes an audience of more than 130,000 each year, and maintains an extensive education and outreach program, designed to engage young people and the community at large in the arts. For more information, please visit <u>www.geffenplayhouse.com</u>.

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