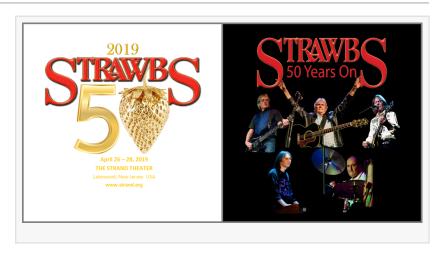


# UK Music Legends Strawbs 50th Anniversary 3 Days Celebration in Lakewood, NJ - April 26, 27 & 28

Featuring special guests Tony Visconti, Annie Haslam, Larry Fast and others! Weekend celebration of the first album release by seminal British band.

ASHEVILLE, NC, USA, February 7, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In celebration of their 50th anniversary, UK music legends Strawbs, plus a host of guest performers, former Strawbs, and Strawbs-related artists, will be performing at the Strand Theater in Lakewood, NJ on April 26-28, 2019!



Come join a weekend celebration of the first album release by seminal British band Strawbs!

Strawbs are Britain's most successful international progressive folk-rock band. They are mentioned in the same breath as progressive rock bands Yes, King Crimson and The Moody Blues. Strawbs have a devoted fan base that continues to grow on the strength of their incredible live performances together with their classic albums over the years including "Grave New World", "Bursting at the Seams", "Hero & Heroine" and "Ghosts." The band has achieved sales of over three million albums, seven consecutive Strawbs albums have featured in the US Billboard Top 200 albums.

Many top musicians have featured in the Strawbs line up over the years, including Sonjia Kristina, Blue Weaver, Don Airey and as well as Rick Wakeman, both his classically trained sons Adam and Oliver have been featured, a certain compliment to the band's talent. After several years of touring in both acoustic and electric lineups, in 2017 Strawbs released "The Ferryman's Curse," their first studio album of original material in eight years. The album returned to the album charts and garnered rave reviews worldwide!

The current Strawbs line-up comprises David Cousins, lead guitarist Dave Lambert, bass player Chas Cronk, and drummer Tony Fernandez, who recorded and toured together in the 1970s. They are joined by keyboard and guitar virtuoso Dave Bainbridge of Iona - a band who created a mystical blend of rock, folk, Celtic and ambient music - a perfect match for Strawbs.

### **ARTISTS:**

STRAWBS (Present)

David Cousins (1968 - present) Dave Lambert (1972 - present) Chas Cronk (1973 - present) Tony Fernandez (1978 - present) Dave Bainbridge (2016 - present)

With

TERRA NOVA ORCHESTRA - 30 PIECE ORCHESTRA

STRAWBS (Past)

Blue Weaver (1971 - 1973) (subject to visas) – Amen Corner, Mott the Hoople, Bee Gees (Played on "Saturday Night Fever" and the 1970s hits)

John Ford (1969 – 1973) – Velvet Opera, Hudson Ford (Writer of Strawbs biggest single "Part of the Union")

John Hawken (1973 - 1976) – Nashville Teens, Renaissance, Illusion Brian Willoughby (1978 - 2092) – Mary Hopkin, The Monks, Nanci Griffith

### SPECIAL GUESTS

Tony Visconti – David Bowie, T Rex, Moody Blues, Gentle Giant, Angélique Kidjo Annie Haslam – Renaissance Larry Fast – Nektar, Synergy, Peter Gabriel Eric Bazilian – The Hooters, Joan Osborne Wesley Stace – John Wesley Harding, Cabinet of Wonders Cathryn Craig – Bill Medley

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Tony Visconti – conducts Strawbs with the Terra Nova Orchestra for the first orchestral performance of "Oh How She Changed", the band's first single, featuring a new Tony Visconti arrangement.

David Cousins, Blue Weaver, John Ford will play the whole of Strawbs classic album "Grave New World" with Eric Bazilion and narrator Wesley Stace.

Annie Haslam – sings Sandy Denny's "Who Knows Where The Time Goes" with the Terra Nova Orchestra, featuring a brand new arrangement by Tony Visconti.

Eric Bazilion – sings "What If God Was One Of Us," the hit he wrote and produced for Joan Osborne, with Strawbs and the Terra Nova Orchestra.

Sandy Denny and the Strawbs – the classic songs recreated by Annie Haslam and Acoustic Strawbs.

Larry Fast and David Cousins – Peter Gabriel's synthesizer master and the complete songwriter put a new edge on Strawbs lesser known material.

## WHERE:

Strand Theater Center for the Arts 400 Clifton Avenue Lakewood New Jersey 08701 Phone: (732) 367-7789

Historic 1922 theater for the Jersey Shore. 60 minutes from Newark Airport 90 minutes from Manhattan

# DATE AND TIME:

Friday - 26 April 2018 Performances@pm - 10.30pm

Saturday - 27 April 2018 Performances Ipm - 10.30pm

Sunday - 28 April 2018 Brunch (VIP) 10am - 12 noon

TICKETS:

VIP \$300 (sold out) All performances plus Sunday brunch with artists

Weekend\$200 All performances

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