

'THE CARPENTERS SONGBOOK: A LIVE CELEBRATION' NORTH AMERICAN TOUR TO VISIT MORE THAN 50 CITIES

Beautifully Crafted New Production From the Creative Team Behind The Simon & Garfunkel Story; Tickets On Sale Now

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, August 25, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Producers Right Angle Entertainment and Maple Tree Entertainment today announced that THE CARPENTERS SONGBOOK: A LIVE CELEBRATION (www.carpenterssongbooklive.com) will launch its North American tour September 23 at the Appell Center for the Performing Arts in York, Pennsylvania, before heading to Los Angeles, Boston, and more than 50 cities in all across the U.S. and Canada. This heartfelt new concert experience celebrates the timeless music of Karen and Richard Carpenter, bringing their unforgettable songs, remarkable story, and enduring legacy back to the stage with a full live band, stunning vocals, and captivating narration. The production stars acclaimed vocalist and actress Christina Hélène Braa singing Karen Carpenter's incredible catalog of hits. Kevin Lausche is the show's Music Director and performs many iconic moments from Richard Carpenter's music career. Tickets are on sale now.

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Few voices in pop history are as instantly recognizable, or as deeply loved, as Karen Carpenter's. THE CARPENTERS SONGBOOK: A LIVE CELEBRATION is an all-new production from the creative team behind the internationally acclaimed hit The Simon & Garfunkel Story. During this tribute, audiences will relive some of the most cherished songs ever recorded including "We've Only Just Begun," "Close to You," "Rainy Days and Mondays," "Superstar," "Top of the World," and many more.

"The music of The Carpenters has a unique ability to transport people back to some of life's most meaningful moments," says Dean Elliott, creator and director of the production. "These songs are woven into the soundtrack of so many lives. Our goal was to create an evening that honors Karen and Richard's extraordinary artistry while giving audiences the chance to experience that

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Braa shares both a March 2 birthday and birth state (Connecticut) with Karen Carpenter. Raised in San Francisco, she earned a BA in Theater from the University of Southern California and has performed in the national tour of Peter Pan and aboard Norwegian Cruise Line in Beetlejuice and Icons. Lausche, who makes his national tour debut with the production, earned a BFA in Musical Theatre from Wright State University. His recent credits include Million Dollar Quartet aboard Norwegian Cruise Line, Heartbreak Hotel at the John W. Engeman Theatre, and MAMMA MIA! at Wright State University Festival Theatre.



The poster features a rainbow arching over the silhouettes of Karen and Richard Carpenter. Below them, the text 'THE CARPENTERS SONGBOOK' is written in a stylized font, with 'A LIVE CELEBRATION' underneath. The tour schedule is listed in three columns, with dates and locations. The website WWW.CARPENTERSSONGBOOKLIVE.COM is at the bottom.

Date	Location	Date	Location	Date	Location
9/23	YORK, PA	10/11	DETROIT, MI	11/1	CLEARWATER, FL
9/24	NEW HAVEN, CT	10/13	LA CROSSE, WI	11/3	NICEVILLE, FL
9/25	AMHERST, MA	10/16	BRISTOL, VA	11/5	FAYETTEVILLE, AR
9/26	NASHUA, NH	10/17	WASHINGTON, DC	11/7	ORANGE, TX
9/29	APPLETON, WI	10/18	CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	11/8	NEW ORLEANS, LA
10/1	NASHVILLE, IN	10/20	RED BANK, NJ	11/10	FORT WORTH, TX
10/2	JOLIET, IL	10/21	WILMINGTON, NC	11/11	SAN ANTONIO, TX
10/3	MADISON, WI	10/22	CHARLOTTE, NC	11/12	DALLAS, TX
10/4	MILWAUKEE, WI	10/23	LOUISVILLE, KY	11/13	HUTCHINSON, KS
10/6	WILMINGTON, DE	10/24	DAYTON OH	11/14	DENVER, CO
10/7	BOSTON, MA	10/28	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	11/15	ASPEN, CO
10/9	LONDON, ON	10/29	JACKSONVILLE, FL	11/16	KEARNEY, NE
10/10	RAMA, ON	10/30	THE VILLAGES, FL	11/19-11/20	PALM DESERT, CA
				11/21	WICKENBURG, AZ
				11/22	ALBUQUERQUE, NM
				11/24	ARROYO GRANDE, CA
				11/27	SAN JOSE, CA
				11/28	MODESTO, CA
				11/29	SAN DIEGO, CA
				11/30	THOUSAND OAKS, CA
				12/2	SAN FRANCISCO, CA
				12/3	DOWNEY, CA
				12/4	FOLSOM, CA
				12/5	KLAMATH FALLS, OR
				12/6	BREMERTON, WA

With more than 100 million records sold worldwide, The Carpenters became one of the most successful and beloved recording acts of the 1970s. Their unmistakable sound, defined by Karen Carpenter's warm contralto vocals and Richard Carpenter's sophisticated arrangements, produced a remarkable string of chart-topping hits that continue to resonate with audiences generations later.

Beginning November 27 in San Jose, most remaining tour markets will present THE CARPENTERS SONGBOOK: AT CHRISTMAS, a special holiday edition that pairs The Carpenters' greatest hits with many of the duo's beloved Christmas songs. With a full band and heartfelt narration, audiences will relive favorites including "We've Only Just Begun," "Close to You," and "Rainy Days and Mondays," along with holiday classics including "Merry Christmas, Darling."

Part concert, part celebration, and part journey through one of popular music's most treasured catalogs, THE CARPENTERS SONGBOOK: A LIVE CELEBRATION invites audiences to sing along, reminisce, and fall in love with these timeless songs all over again.

The approximate run time is two hours and 20 minutes (including a 20-minute intermission).

The 2026 tour schedule includes:

September 23 | York, PA | Appell Center for the Performing Arts
September 24 | New Haven, CT | Shubert Theatre

September 25 | Amherst, MA | Frederick C. Tillis Performance Hall
September 26 | Nashua, NH | Nashua Center for the Arts
September 29 | Appleton, WI | Fox Cities Performing Arts Center
October 1 | Nashville, IN | Brown County Music Center
October 2 | Joliet, IL | Rialto Square Theatre
October 3 | Madison, WI | Overture Hall
October 4 | Milwaukee, WI | Uihlein Hall
October 6 | Wilmington, DE | Grand Opera House
October 7 | Boston, MA | Emerson Colonial Theatre
October 9 | London, ON | Centennial Hall
October 10 | Orillia, ON | Casino Rama Resort Entertainment Centre
October 11 | Detroit, MI | Fisher Theatre
October 13 | La Crosse, WI | Viterbo University Fine Arts Center
October 16 | Bristol, VA | Hard Rock Live
October 17 | Washington, DC | National Theatre
October 18 | Charlottesville, VA | Paramount Theater
October 20 | Red Bank, NJ | Count Basie Center for the Arts
October 21 | Wilmington, NC | Wilson Center
October 22 | Charlotte, NC | Ovens Auditorium
October 23 | Louisville, KY | Brown Theatre
October 24 | Dayton, OH | Winsupply Theatre
October 28 | Fort Lauderdale, FL | The Parker
October 29 | Jacksonville, FL | Moran Theater
October 30 | The Villages, FL | The Sharon Performing Arts Center
November 1 | Clearwater, FL | Nancy and David Bilheimer Capitol Theatre
November 3 | Niceville, FL | Mainstage Theater at Mattie Kelly Arts Center
November 5 | Fayetteville, AR | Baum Walker Hall at Walton Arts Center
November 7 | Orange, TX | Lutcher Theater
November 8 | New Orleans, LA | Mahalia Jackson Theater for the Performing Arts
November 10 | Fort Worth, TX | Bass Performance Hall
November 11 | San Antonio, TX | Majestic Theatre
November 12 | Dallas, TX | Majestic Theatre
November 13 | Hutchinson, KS | Fox Theatre
November 14 | Denver, CO | Buell Theatre
November 15 | Aspen, CO | Wheeler Opera House
November 16 | Kearney, NE | Merryman Performing Arts Center
November 19-20 | Palm Desert, CA | McCallum Theatre
November 21 | Wickenburg, AZ | Del E. Webb Center for the Performing Arts
November 22 | Albuquerque, NM | Popejoy Hall
November 24 | Arroyo Grande, CA | Clark Center for the Performing Arts
November 27** | San Jose, CA | Center for the Performing Arts
November 28** | Modesto, CA | Gallo Center for the Arts
November 29** | San Diego, CA | Balboa Theatre

November 30 | Thousand Oaks, CA | Fred Kavli Theatre
December 2** | San Francisco, CA | Orpheum Theatre
December 3** | Downey, CA | Downey Theatre
December 4** | Folsom, CA | Harris Center for the Arts
December 5** | Klamath Falls, OR | Ross Ragland Theater
December 6** | Bremerton, WA | Admiral Theatre

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For more information, visit www.carpenterssongbooklive.com.

Note to media: press Assets are available to [view and download here](#).

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ABOUT MAPLE TREE ENTERTAINMENT (Producers)

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