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**Performance-Only Tickets On Sale  
Wednesday 11/20 At 9am For  
McCallum Theatre **Annual Fundraising Gala** On  
Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Grammy Award-Winner **Seal** To Headline, With Very Special Honoree,  
Philanthropist **Jan Salta****

Palm Desert, CA – The McCallum Theatre announced that performance-only tickets are on sale on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am for its Annual Fundraising Gala on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The gala will be headlined by one of entertainment's most electrifying performers, Grammy Award-winning superstar **Seal**. Performance-only tickets are \$125 for rear orchestra and mezzanine seats and \$100 for balcony seats and may be purchased online at [www.mccallumtheatre.com](http://www.mccallumtheatre.com), at the McCallum Theatre Box Office, 73000 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert or by calling 760-340-2787. Dinner and performance sponsorship tickets are still available at \$500 and may be obtained by contacting Brenda Wallace at 760-776-6193.

Proceeds from the McCallum Theatre Annual Gala help fund McCallum Theatre operations as well as arts education programs that bring training in theater, dance, music and visual arts to 40,000 schoolchildren and educators each year, in more than 300 classrooms. These funds also make it possible to continue to bring world-class performances to over 150,000 residents and visitors to the Coachella Valley annually.

Accompanied by a 29-piece orchestra of the West Coast's top musicians, singer/songwriter and Grammy Award-winner **Seal** will bring his distinctive baritone voice and stylish flair to a program including his top hits, along with lushly arranged music from his hit album, *Standards*, with timeless classics by Frank Loesser, Johnny Mercer, George and Ira Gershwin, Cole Porter, Rodgers & Hart, Hoagy Carmichael, Charlie Chaplin, and more.

**Seal** is a British singer-songwriter who has sold over 20 million records worldwide including major hits, "Crazy," "Kiss from a Rose" and his critically acclaimed *Standards* album. He is the recipient of four Grammy Awards. He has worked as a coach on *The Voice* in Australia and was a guest judge on *America's Got Talent*. Seal last appeared at the McCallum Theatre in 2005.

The McCallum Theatre Annual Gala will pay tribute to philanthropist **Jan Salta**, whose extraordinarily charitable heart touches many nonprofit organizations in the Coachella Valley, throughout Southern California and in her home town of Des Moines, Iowa. Jan

has been volunteering her time since she was in her 20's and, along with her late husband, Mike, has been a major supporter of a remarkable array of charities ranging from the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center, ACT for MS, the Mizell Senior Center, The Living Desert to the Heart Association to the Betty Ford Center's children's program, Martha's Village, Tools for Tomorrow, Eisenhower Medical Center, the Palm Springs International Film Festival and the Palm Springs Art Museum, among so many others.

Jan made her first gift to the McCallum in 1988, two months after the Theatre's grand opening night. Over time, she has been a consistent supporter of The Muses & Patroness Circle of McCallum Theatre, sponsor of McCallum Theatre Education's Open Call Talent Project, former Annual Gala co-chair and frequent show sponsor. McCallum Theatre proudly recognizes the extraordinary generosity of Mike and Jan Salta as members of its very distinguished *Benefactors Circle*.

The co-chairs of the 2019 McCallum Theatre Annual Gala are **Helene Galen** and **Harold Matzner**.

The McCallum Theatre presents McCallum Theatre Annual Gala starring **Seal** on **Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00pm**. Tickets are priced at \$125 and \$100 and will be available beginning Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am online at the McCallum Theatre website, **[www.mccallumtheatre.com](http://www.mccallumtheatre.com)**, or by calling the McCallum Theatre Box Office at (760) 340-2787. The McCallum Theatre, located at 73000 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert CA 92260, accepts payment by cash, personal check, VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express.

*The McCallum Theatre Box Office, its phone center and website are the **only** authorized outlets for tickets to performances presented at the Theatre. Tickets purchased from any other sources, such as brokers or secondary market websites, are purchased at consumer's own risk and cannot be guaranteed as valid.*

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