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Jazz Great Dave Brubeck, Tony Winner Audra McDonald Coming to Cal Poly As Part of Cal Poly Arts' Summer Concert Line-up

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA - Cal Poly Arts is pleased to announce two more entertainment events for their celebrity Center Stage Summer concert line-up.

On Friday, August 29 at 8 p.m., the legendary Dave Brubeck brings his melodic and inventive piano jazz to the Christopher Cohan Center stage in "An Evening With Dave Brubeck," featuring the Dave Brubeck Quartet.

Brubeck is a jazz icon. His musical contributions over the past half century as both pianist and composer garnered him a Lifetime Achievement Grammy Award. The musician's joy in performing and daring improvisations continue to challenge and excite new generations of musicians and listeners.

Appearing on Friday, September 12 at 8 p.m. at the Christopher Cohan Center is three-time Tony winner Audra McDonald, who has distinguished herself with both critics and audiences as an exceptional dramatic actress, recording artist, and concert performer.

For her return to San Luis Obispo, Ms. McDonald takes center stage with an expansive vocal program that mixes the standards of Ellington, Arlen, Gershwin, and Rodgers with songs written by today's most successful Broadway composers.

Center Stage Program Partners for Ms. McDonald's concert are Clifford Chapman and Gene Shidler.

Tickets for both of the above concerts go on sale Saturday, April 12, 2003 at 10 a.m. at the Performing Arts Ticket Office.

Previously announced Cal Poly Arts Center Stage events include "Weird Al" Yankovic and his all-new Poodle Hat Tour, performing at the Christopher Cohan Center on Sunday, June 22 at 8 p.m.

Ticket prices for the listed Center Stage Summer concerts are \$38 and \$44 and may be purchased at the Performing Arts Ticket Office, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call 805/756-2787; to order by fax: 805/756-6088.

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