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Auntie Karen Foundation Celebrates the 21st Legends of... Concert Series

(Columbia, SC) – The Auntie Karen Foundation proudly announces the **21st annual Legends of... Concert**, taking place on **Friday, February 21, 2025, at 8:00 PM** at the Koger Center for the Arts in Columbia, SC. This year's event will feature Grammy Award-winning artist **PJ Morton**, a global sensation celebrated for his soulful music and electrifying performances.

Since its inception in 2004 with the incomparable Roberta Flack, the Legends of... Concert Series has honored the contributions of African American music to our nation's cultural heritage. This annual series continues to spotlight world-class talent while serving as a signature fundraiser for the Auntie Karen Foundation's community programs.

Master Class: Inspiring the Next Generation

In conjunction with the concert, the Auntie Karen Foundation will host a **Master Class** at Keenan High School on **Thursday, February 20, 2025**. This invitation-only event is designed to engage middle school, high school, and college-aged students with a day of creative exploration.

The master class is an Auntie Karen partnership with Richland School District One and The University of South Carolina. This one-day event will honor PJ Morton. The Master Class will include discussions on the importance of the arts, mentorship, goal setting, and preparation, culminating in student performances.

About the Auntie Karen Foundation

The Auntie Karen Foundation is a global 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Columbia, SC. Dedicated to empowering, enlightening, and educating communities through the arts, the Foundation offers programs like the Legends of... Concert Series, Artpreneur/Technopreneur Classes, and the annual Young Entrepreneur Conference.



Ticket Information:

Tickets range from \$57 to \$155 (including a \$2 Koger Center Restoration Fee). Special discounts are available for AARP members and students with a valid student ID.

- **Purchase Tickets Online:** www.kogercenterforthearts.com
- **VIP and Sponsorship Opportunities:** Visit www.auntiekaren.org

About PJ Morton

PJ Morton is a soul singer, songwriter, performer, and producer based in New Orleans. He is a 5x GRAMMY winner and 20x GRAMMY nominee who has earned numerous nominations for BET, Soul Train, and NAACP Image Awards, in addition to selling out countless shows at historic venues like the Apollo Theater, Kennedy Center, and others around the world. On top of running his record label (Morton Records) and serving as Maroon 5's full-time keyboardist for the past 12+ years, he has collaborated with Stevie Wonder, Erykah Badu, Jon Batiste, Nas, Lil Wayne, JoJo, Yebba, Jill Scott and many others.

In 2024, PJ Morton became the first Black composer to write an original song for a Disney attraction - Tiana's Bayou Adventure, at Disneyland and Disney World. He also released an album, Cape Town to Cairo, entirely written, recorded, and produced during a 30-day trip across Africa, and published a new book titled Saturday Night, Sunday Morning via Worthy Publishing, an imprint of Hachette Book Group; the memoir sees him recounting and reflecting upon a trailblazing path that continues to defy expectations and straddle the tensions of music and faith, race and culture, expression and identity.

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Join us for a night of inspiration, artistry, and celebration as we continue the legacy of the Legends of... Concert Series!