



New Kids On The Block are back with The Total Package, massive summer tour to hit SMG-managed Van Andel Arena® May 13

Boyz II Men & Paula Abdul to join NKOTB in Grand Rapids

Grand Rapids (Tuesday, November 15, 2016)— [NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK](#) took over the *TODAY Show* this morning to announce their 2017 headlining tour alongside Grammy Award-winning tourmates [PAULA ABDUL](#) and [BOYZ II MEN](#). A follow-up to 2013's hugely-successful Package Tour, the aptly titled **TOTAL PACKAGE TOUR** is the group's biggest lineup yet. Paula Abdul makes her momentous return to the stage for a hit-fueled set that includes an incredible 7 number-one hit singles, while Package Tour alums Boyz II Men will deliver their trademark, multiplatinum-selling sound to fans nationwide.

Produced by Live Nation, The Total Package Tour kicks off on May 12 in Columbus, OH and will continue through over 40 North American cities, including a stop in Grand Rapids at [Van Andel Arena](#) on **Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 7:30 PM.**

Tickets go on sale to the general public beginning Saturday, November 19 at 10:00 AM. Ticket prices are \$29.95, \$44.95, \$59.95, \$79.95, \$99.95, and \$199.95 with Aisle Premium Seat offers available for an additional \$10-\$20 per ticket. Tickets will be available online at [Ticketmaster.com](#) and charge by phone at 1-800-745-3000 on the day tickets go on sale. Ticket sales will not be available at the Van Andel Arena or DeVos Place® box offices on Saturday, November 19 for the on-sale. Ticket sales will commence at the Van Andel Arena and DeVos Place box offices, based on availability, at 10:00 AM on Monday, November 21. A purchase limit of eight (8) tickets will apply to all orders and prices are subject to change. VIP packages are available via Ticketmaster.com with a purchase limit of four (4) tickets per order.

Fans can catch the artists discuss what to expect from the tour on media programs across the country, with appearances on *Sirius XM*, *Access Hollywood*, *Entertainment Tonight*, *The Insider*, *E! News*, *Extra* and *Associated Press*. NKOTB, Paula Abdul and Boyz II Men will also celebrate the announcement with a fan town hall event at *iHeartRadio* before they make a special shout-out to NKOTB's hometown supporters in Boston, MA, appearing on local newscasts to announce their homecoming at the iconic Fenway Park on July 8.

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“Our fans know we love to bring them a party, and this tour is no exception,” says NKOTB member Donnie Wahlberg. “It’s not just a show, it’s an experience. Paula Abdul is such a pop icon and Boyz II Men are one of the best R&B acts of all time. It’s going to be a night of hit after hit, and we can’t wait to deliver the ‘Total Package’ to our fans!”

With a combined 200 million records sold worldwide, NKOTB, Paula Abdul and Boyz II Men are primed to have the biggest party of the summer with **THE TOTAL PACKAGE TOUR**. Known for delivering Blockheads with one-night-only experiences and legendary collaborative events, NKOTB will return to the stage after 2016’s touring hiatus, bringing with them number one hits like “Hangin Tough,” “I’ll Be Loving You (Forever),” and “Step By Step”. The iconic Paula Abdul will perform her legendary catalogue of pop hits, while Boyz II Men will make their second trek alongside NKOTB to perform the rich catalogue of hits that earned the trio the distinction of being the best-selling R&B group of all time.

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