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Maxwell announces concert date at SMG-managed Van Andel Arena®

Ledisi, Leela James to join Maxwell in Grand Rapids on June 16

Grand Rapids—This Summer, <u>Maxwell</u> will embark on a headlining arena tour kicking off at Nashville's Bridgestone Arena on May 23 before stopping in Grand Rapids at <u>Van Andel Arena</u> on **Friday**, **June 16**, **2017** at **8:00 PM**. **Ledisi** will open for Maxwell with **Leela James** on the bill as well.

Tickets go on sale Friday, March 31 at 11:00 AM. Ticket prices are \$36, \$56, \$66, and \$76 and will be available at the DeVos Place® and Van Andel Arena box offices, online at <u>Ticketmaster.com</u>, and charge by phone at 1-800-745-3000. Prices are subject to change.

Today, TIDAL exclusively debuted the Philip Andelman-directed music video for "Gods," the "sparkling" (Pitchfork) cut from Maxwell's recent album 'blackSUMMERS'night' (Columbia). Shot in various Los Angeles locations, Maxwell says "inspiration stemmed from having an experience of sort of seeing the spiritual parallel universe--that which can't be seen. Art is subjective, visions evolve and I want fans to interpret the video on their own. I hope they enjoy it."

Watch the video here: http://tidal.com/us/maxwell

Maxwell has had a busy past 12 months. In July, he released his much-anticipated 'blackSUMMERS'night,' the second installment of his musical trilogy encompassing his 20+ year career. The album garnered praise from Rolling Stone, SPIN, Complex, NPR and more, and the album earned him his third-Grammy (Best R&B Song for "Lake By The Ocean"), an NAACP Image Award (Outstanding Male Artist), and a Soul Train Award (Best R&B/Soul Male Artist).

In November, Maxwell embarked on the co-headlining The King and Queen of Hearts World Tour with Mary J. Blige, which took him to arenas around the world. Maxwell kicked off 2017 by performing at the Women's March on Washington D.C. in January, and this Summer he will be performing songs off 'blackSUMMERS'night' along with hits from his long-standing career.

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