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Classic rockers ZZ Top to play SMG-managed DeVos Performance Hall Tickets for the October 1 show go on sale Friday, May 19

Grand Rapids— **ZZ TOP**, a.k.a. "That Little Ol' Band From Texas," lay undisputed claim to being the longest running major rock band with original personnel intact and, in 2004, the Texas trio was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Now, they're making their way to Grand Rapids with a **Sunday, October 1, 2017** concert at [DeVos Performance Hall](#) at 7:30 PM.

Tickets go on sale to the general public beginning Friday, May 19 at 11:00 AM. Ticket prices are \$49.50, \$69.50, and \$79.50 and will be available at the DeVos Place® and Van Andel Arena® box offices, online at [Ticketmaster.com](#), and charge by phone at 1-800-745-3000. A purchase limit of eight (8) tickets will apply to every order and prices are subject to change.

VIP packages will be available via Ticketmaster for \$250 and \$400. The ZZ Top VIP Meet & Greet Package (\$400) includes one premium reserved ticket location in the first five rows of the stage, exclusive meet & greet with ZZ Top, personal autographed photo with ZZ Top, Q&A Session with the band, \$50 merchandise voucher to be used in the ZZ Top Online Store, official Meet & Greet laminate, and an on-site VIP host. The ZZ Top Premium VIP Package (\$250) includes one premium reserved seat in the first 20 rows of the stage, \$40 merchandise credit to be used in the ZZ Top Online Store, and a commemorative tour laminate.

Of course, there are only three of them – Billy F Gibbons, Dusty Hill, Frank Beard -- but it's still a remarkable achievement that they're still very much together after more than 45 years of rock, blues, and boogie on the road and in the studio. "Yeah," says Billy, guitarist extraordinaire, "we're the same three guys, bashing out the same three chords." With the release of each of their albums the band has explored new ground in terms of both their sonic approach and the material they've recorded. ZZ TOP is the same but always changing.

ZZ TOP's music is always instantly recognizable, eminently powerful, profoundly soulful and 100% Texas American in derivation. The band's support for the blues is unwavering both as interpreters of the music and preservers of its legacy. It was ZZ TOP that celebrated "founding father" Muddy Waters by turning a piece of scrap timber than had fallen from his sharecropper's shack into a beautiful guitar, dubbed the "Muddywood." This totem was sent on tour as a fundraising focus for The Delta Blues Museum in Clarksdale, Mississippi, site of Robert Johnson's famed "Crossroads" encounter with the devil. ZZ TOP's support and link to the blues remains as rock solid as the music they continue to play. They have sold millions of records over the course of their career, have been officially designated as Heroes of The State of Texas, have been referenced in countless cartoons and sitcoms and are true rock icons but, against all odds, they're really just doing what they've always done. They're real and they're surreal and they're ZZ TOP.

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