

## **Pop star Kesha bringing "Rainbow Tour 2018" to SMG-managed Van Andel Arena**® Tickets for the July 6<sup>th</sup> concert to go on sale Friday, February 23 at 12 PM

**Grand Rapids** — <u>Kesha</u> has announced a Grand Rapids stop on her "Rainbow Tour 2018" for **Friday, July 6, 2018** at 7:00 PM at <u>Van Andel Arena</u>. Tickets go on sale to the general public beginning Friday, February 23 at 12:00 PM. Ticket prices are \$29.50, \$39.50, \$49.50, \$59.50 and a very limited amount at \$99.50 up close!

Tickets will be available at the Van Andel Arena and DeVos Place® box offices, online at <u>Ticketmaster.com</u>, and charge by phone at 1-800-745-3000. Ticket prices are subject to change.

Kesha's latest album 'Rainbow', called "an artistic feat" by Entertainment Weekly and "the best music of her career" by Rolling Stone, marks a new beginning for Kesha. Based around inner strength and musical exploration, her latest No. 1 album finds Kesha at "her defiant, unbridled best" (USA Today), boasting collaborators ranging from Ben Folds to Eagles of Death Metal to Dolly Parton. The album has garnered praise from the New York Times, Billboard, NPR Music and more, and earned Kesha her first-ever GRAMMY nominations at the 60th Annual GRAMMY Awards for "Best Pop Vocal Album" and "Best Pop Solo Performance" for "Praying".

When Kesha released her debut album, 'Animal' in 2010, Billboard declared her its Hot 100 Artist and her debut single, "TiK ToK," the #1 Hot 100 Song. It was also the most played song and the world's top-selling track that year. 'Animal' has sold more than 8 million album equivalents worldwide, and Kesha has sold more than 13 million total album equivalents worldwide. Kesha has had 9 Top 10 hits on The Billboard Hot 100, including four #1 singles at Top 40 Radio - "TiK ToK," "Your Love Is My Drug," "Die Young," and "Timber." Kesha took home the MTV EMA for Best New Act in November 2010 and was nominated for 2 American Music Awards, 3 MTV VMA Awards, and 6 Billboard Awards.

She has over 28 million Facebook followers, over 2 million Instagram followers, 3.74 million followers on Twitter, and over 1 billion views on VEVO. She has sold over 41 million tracks and streams in the U.S alone and over 87 million tracks and streams worldwide to date. 'Animal' has been certified Gold, Platinum or multi-Platinum in over 15 markets worldwide (including Platinum in the United States) and was the biggest-selling debut album from an international female in 2010 in the UK.

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