

Sting & Peter Gabriel

Rock Paper Scissors

**WASHINGTON, NEW YORK CITY, TORONTO, MONTREAL, LAKE TAHOE & LOS ANGELES – SOLD OUT!
FINAL SHOW ADDED IN LOS ANGELES AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL – JULY 18, 2016**



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Monday, 25 January 2016 – Release at 3pm EST. As announced last week, two of music's most iconic artists – **Sting and Peter Gabriel** - will unite this summer for a once in a lifetime concert tour. Following immediate sell-outs in Washington, New York, Toronto, Montreal, Lake Tahoe and Los Angeles, **Rock Paper Scissors**, presented by Live Nation Global Touring, has just confirmed a second and final show in Los Angeles, July 18th at the Hollywood Bowl, which completes the itinerary for this tour. Tickets for that show as well as the concerts in Columbus, Wantagh, Detroit, Worcester, Chicago, Denver, Seattle and Milwaukee will go on sale next Monday, Feb. 1st,

Having first toured together in the eighties for Amnesty International, **Rock Paper Scissors** will find Peter Gabriel and Sting performing both separately and together, playing their own songs as well as melding their bands to explore each other's most celebrated hits.

***"I'm very happy that we're taking the chance to experiment this way. I think people will be intrigued, I certainly am."* Sting**

***"What intrigues me is that you get a good bunch of musicians together and interesting things will happen."* Peter Gabriel**

Peter Gabriel first came to international prominence with the success of Genesis, a band that he co-founded while still at school. Since leaving Genesis in 1975, his recording career has included eleven studio albums, film soundtracks for Alan Parker's 'Birdy', Martin Scorsese's 'The Last Temptation of Christ' and Philip Noyce's 'Rabbit Proof Fence' as well as numerous live albums. His wider musical career has included multiple Grammy Awards, the creation of the Real World Records label, and in 1980 the creation of WOMAD, the festival that has launched the careers of many world music artists and has to date presented over 170 festivals in 30 countries.

Peter Gabriel co-founded the human rights organization WITNESS (Witness.org) in 1992, the organization that pioneers the use of cameras and technology in human rights campaigning, and in 2007, alongside Sir Richard Branson, he founded The Elders (theelders.org) which was launched by Nelson Mandela. In 2006, Peter Gabriel was awarded the prestigious Man of Peace title by The Nobel Peace Laureates and in 2008 was also included in the Time 100 list. He has been inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame twice. He remains engaged in a wide variety of tech-based businesses throughout a variety of creative industries.

Composer, singer, actor, author, and activist – **Sting** was born in Newcastle, England before moving to London in 1977 to form The Police with Stewart Copeland and Andy Summers. The band released five studio albums, earned six Grammy Awards and two Brits, and was inducted into The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2003. Since 1989, Sting has released fourteen solo albums and received an additional 10 Grammy Awards, two Brits, a Golden Globe, an Emmy, three Oscar nominations, Billboard Magazine’s Century Award, and MusiCares 2004 Person of the Year. Also a member of the Songwriters Hall of Fame, he received the Kennedy Center Honors in December of 2014. Throughout his enduring career, he has sold close to 100 million albums from his combined work with The Police and as a solo artist.

The Last Ship, his latest release, is inspired by his memories of the shipbuilding community of Wallsend in the North East of England where he was born and raised. A play of the same name, with music and lyrics by Sting, debuted on Broadway in October, 2014 and was heralded by the Associated Press as "thrilling with powerful performances, outstanding songs, and real heart." Sting received a Tony Award nomination for Best Original Score. He has appeared in more than 15 films and authored two books, including *The New York Times* best-selling memoir, *Broken Music*. His support for human rights organizations mirrors his art in its universal outreach. Along with wife Trudie Styler, Sting founded the Rainforest Fund in 1989 to protect both the world’s rainforests and the indigenous people living there.

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Tickets for the remaining Rock Paper Scissors concerts will go on sale February 1st. The artists’ fans will have access to a pre-sale through their respective official websites, starting Tuesday, January 26th (time frames vary). For complete tour and ticket information, VIP Packages and more visit: www.livenation.com, www.petergabriel.com & www.sting.com.

American Express® Card Members can purchase tickets in Columbus, Detroit, Worcester, Chicago, Milwaukee, Denver, Seattle and the second Los Angeles concert beginning Wednesday 1/27 at 10am local through Sunday 1/31 5pm local.

Citi cardmembers will have access to presale tickets for the performance in Wantagh, NY starting Wednesday, January 27th at 10AM local time through Citi’s Private Pass Program. For complete presale details visit www.citiprivatepass.com.

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Media may access the “Sting & Peter Gabriel: Rock Paper Scissors EPK by clicking on the following link:
<http://lvn.at/rps2016>

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ROCK PAPER SCISSORS
NORTH AMERICAN TOUR ITINERARY – 2016

<u>Date:</u>	<u>City:</u>	<u>Venue:</u>	<u>On sale Date:</u>
June 21	Columbus, OH	Nationwide Arena	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
June 23	Washington, DC	Verizon Center	SOLD OUT
June 24	Wantagh, NY	Jones Beach	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
June 26	Philadelphia, PA	BB&T Pavilion	On sale now
June 27	New York, NY	Madison Square Garden	SOLD OUT
June 29	Toronto, ON	Air Canada Centre	SOLD OUT
June 30	Detroit, MI	The Palace of Auburn Hills	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
July 02	Worcester, MA	DCU Center	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
July 05	Montreal, QC	Bell Centre	SOLD OUT
July 07	Québec, QC	Festival d'été de Québec (Plains of Abraham)	On sale March 2016
July 09	Chicago, IL	United Center	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
July 10	Milwaukee, WI	Summerfest	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
July 12	Denver, CO	Pepsi Center	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
July 14	San Jose, CA	SAP Center at San Jose	On sale now
July 15	Lake Tahoe, NV	Harvey's	SOLD OUT
July 17	Los Angeles, CA	Hollywood Bowl	SOLD OUT
July 18	Los Angeles, CA	Hollywood Bowl	On sale Feb. 1 (10am)
July 21	Seattle, WA	Key Arena	Mon. Feb. 1 (10am)
July 23	Calgary, AB	Scotiabank Saddledome	On sale now
July 24	Edmonton, AB	Rexall Place	On sale now

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