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Culture Club to Play at The Hanover Theatre This Summer



Worcester, Mass. (May 23, 2016) One of the biggest pop bands of the 80s, UK sensation *Culture Club* is coming to The Hanover Theatre this summer. Join all the members you know and love, including Boy George, Mikey Craig, Roy Hay and Jon Moss, as *Culture Club* reunites for the first time in over a decade for their North American tour. *Culture Club* is playing at The Hanover Theatre on August 31 at 8 p.m. **Tickets go on sale to members on Thursday, May 26. Tickets go on sale to the public on Friday, May 27.**

Culture Club is known for selling more than 50 million records worldwide, led by their classic hits “Do You Really Want to Hurt Me,” “Karma Chameleon” and “I’ll Tumble 4 Ya.” Central to the band’s appeal is the front man Boy George, whose cross-dressing and heavy make-up created an image completely unique to the pop scene.

The group enjoyed major success in the 90s, racking up seven straight top hits in the United Kingdom and nine top 10 singles in the United States. *Culture Club* was the first band since The Beatles to achieve three top 10 hits from their debut album on the Billboard chart. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame’s list of 500 songs that shape rock and roll includes their hit single “Time (Clock of the Heart).”

Tickets to *Culture Club* start at \$45. Discounts are available to members of The Hanover Theatre and groups of 10 or more. Tickets are available online at TheHanoverTheatre.org, by phone at

877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester.

About The Hanover Theatre

The Hanover Theatre continues to draw over 180,000 patrons annually with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits (“Les Misérables,” “Jersey Boys”); comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Daniel Tosh); musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Donny Osmond); and everything in between (“A Christmas Carol,” Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown). Consistently ranked by POLLSTAR as one of the Top Theatres in the World, the theatre opened in March of 2008 following a \$32 million historic renovation. Over the last eight seasons, the theatre has established its place as a world-class performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. In the spring of 2015, the theatre finalized the purchase of a vacant, three-floor former office building with street-level retail space at 551 Main Street. The building houses office space for theatre administration, function areas, a restaurant on the ground floor and a performing arts conservatory on the lower level. The building opens June 2, 2016.

Worcester Center for Performing Arts, a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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