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TOTO to Bring “The Dogz of Oz” Tour to The Theater at Virgin Hotels Las Vegas February 25, 2022

Tickets On Sale December 3, 2021 at 10 a.m. PST



LAS VEGAS, NV (November 29, 2021) - Three-time GRAMMY Award-winning musical group [TOTO](#) is set to bring their highly-anticipated "The Dogz of Oz" tour to [The Theater at Virgin Hotels Las Vegas](#), part of Curio Collection by Hilton, on Friday, February 25, 2022. After the band's 2020 live album release, *With A Little Help From My Friends*, they take on 2022 with performances across North America and Europe.

Tickets go on sale to the public on Friday, December 3, 2021 at 10 a.m. PST. For additional information or to purchase tickets, visit www.totoofficial.com/events/.

The legendary band will perform new music in addition to their beloved rock classics like "Africa," which recently crossed the threshold of ONE BILLION streams on Spotify. This accomplishment speaks to the continual discovery of the band's repertoire, alongside the multi-generational fan base enjoying a composition that is nearing forty years since the band's album IV was released. Cumulative Spotify streams exceed 3.3 Billion plays.

The band recently released *With A Little Help From My Friends* via The Players Club / Mascot Label Group. To screen the title track, which presents the new line-up of TOTO, click here: <https://youtu.be/C25LRI15fOE>. Steve Lukather shares, "We are keeping the music of TOTO alive with a little help from our friends." Joseph Williams offers, "In the midst of a global pandemic and an unprecedented lockdown we realized a few things. Musicians must play and people need to get together to watch them. It was then Luke, Dave and I decided to call upon our friends to create this performance. We welcomed new friends onto the stage and found an instant connection with them. Welcomed back old friends to do a little work! The fact is we couldn't have pulled it off without the love and support of our friends and family. Never was a title or a song been more appropriate. I hope you enjoy 'With a Little Help From My Friends!'"

The global tour that will stretch several years is presented by TOTO co-founder and musical director David Paich. Joining Steve Lukather and Joseph Williams on the road are new band members bassist John Pierce (Huey Lewis and The News), drummer Robert "Sput" Searight (Ghost-Note), and keyboardist / background vocalist Steve Maggiora (Robert Jon & The Wreck). Keyboardist Dominique "Xavier" Taplin (Prince, Ghost-Note) and multi-instrumentalist / vocalist Warren Ham (Ringo Starr) segued over continuing their tenure in the ensemble. This marks the fifteenth incarnation of the TOTO line-up in consideration of band members or sidemen who joined or exited.

Steve Lukather offers, "When the music is performed by great musicians it honors TOTO. The documentary featured on the DVD offers great insights into our thoughts looking forward. David, who stands with us, alongside Joe and myself, desire to keep this music alive. And Paich could pop in any time for a show as a special surprise. We'll be selecting a broader mix from the TOTO catalog that includes deep cuts, the hits, and tunes from Joe and my recently released solo albums. Both of us could not be more thrilled with the global response to these records."

Luke and Joseph Williams are life-long friends since they were kids, and bandmates sharing a deep colorful history that has thrived professionally on a global basis over the past decades. Luke offers, "There is a refreshing, optimistic enthusiasm to step into the future. At this moment, Joe and I are the only long-tenured members of the band that want to be on the road continuing to bring music to our multi-generational fan base. I've spent almost four and a half decades of my life as the only original member who never missed a show or an album nurturing this legacy while enabling the music to continually exist in the live concert setting. That is something I'll never stop doing, and when we inevitably return to the road it presents a rare opportunity to reimagine our personal futures while simultaneously preserving the deep connection that exists with the audience while likewise yielding continual discovery." Williams adds, "Luke and I have been through a lot with one another. He's like a brother to me. Our creative partnership has always enriched our lives. As we look towards what's to come in unison, there is nothing but anticipation to bring everything in our minds to life. I can't think of anyone else on Earth I'd rather launch the next chapter with than with this lifelong, loyal and gifted friend and band mate. We're the last men standing...The Dogz of Oz."

With A Little Help From My Friends was produced by Joseph Williams, who also edited the accompanying long-form video. The band's long-time front of house engineer Ken Freeman mixed and captured the sound. On February 26, Luke and Joe presented solo albums via The Players Club / Mascot Label Group which charted in multiple territories across the globe. Both artists made significant contributions to the other's recordings. Additionally, David Paich performed on select tracks on Luke's ***I Found The Sun Again*** and Williams' ***Denizen Tenant***. The titles were released on LP, CD and a limited-edition deluxe edition is available with the two titles bundled together. Available here: <https://smarturl.it/Steve-Lukather> and <https://smarturl.it/JosephWilliams>.

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ABOUT TOTO

Over the past several years, **TOTO** have had a major renaissance in popularity like few bands at this point in their career. Few ensembles in the history of recorded music have individually or collectively had a larger imprint on pop culture than the members of **TOTO**. As individuals, the band members can be heard on an astonishing 5000 albums that together amass a sales history of a half a billion albums. Amongst these recordings, NARAS applauded the performances with more than 200 Grammy nominations.

Collectively **TOTO** has over three billion streams worldwide on all streaming services. Over the last few years, "Africa" went from being a Platinum single to being recently recertified 8X Platinum, with over a billion streams for that song alone. The band has found a new generation of fans. With now 45+ years together and literally thousands

of credits, including the biggest selling album of all time: Michael Jackson's *Thriller*, and accolades to their names, **TOTO** remains one of the top selling touring and recording acts in the world. They are the benchmark by which many artists base their sound and production, and they continue to transcend the standards set by the entire music community, being simply synonymous with musical credibility. They are pop culture, and are one of the few 70's bands that have endured the changing trends and styles continuing to remain relevant while enjoying their multi-generational global fan base.

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About Virgin Hotels Las Vegas

Virgin Hotels Las Vegas is a reimagined and re-conceptualized casino resort. The property is part of Curio Collection by Hilton. The integrated resort intermixes a passion for food and beverage with music and culture and features three hotel towers totaling over 1,500 Chambers and suites; the 60,000 sq. ft. Mohegan Sun Casino, operated by Mohegan Gaming & Entertainment; a five-acre desert pool oasis including Élia Beach Club and a multi-functional event lawn; live music and entertainment theater with 4,500 capacity; 24 Oxford showroom accommodating 650 guests; an exclusive portfolio of twelve food and beverage venues including Todd English's Olives, Kris Yenbamroong's Night + Market, the legendary Nobu, Michael and David Morton's One Steakhouse, Kassi Beach House from restaurateur Nick Mathers, Casa Calavera by global hospitality company Hakkasan Group, the sports entertainment, daylife and nightlife venue Money, Baby! from Justin Massei and Mikis Troyan of Clive Collective, famous Afters Ice Cream, Pizza Forte by the Ferraro Family and signature Virgin Hotels restaurants and bars including The Kitchen at Commons Club, The Bar at Commons Club, The Shag Room and Funny Library Coffee Shop. The property is owned by JC Hospitality, LLC, in partnership with Juniper Capital Partners, Virgin Group, LiUNA, Fengate Asset Management, Dream and Orlando Development. The off Strip playground is located at 4455 Paradise Road. For more information, visit www.virginhotelslv.com.

About Virgin Hotels

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