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Untermeyer Performing Arts Council's 2017 Summer Concert Series In Full Swing with Support of Community Partner Empire City Casino

Summer Concerts Under the Stars at Historic Untermeyer Park Saturdays Through September 2nd

Yonkers, NY—**Empire City Casino**, the largest entertainment destination in the northeast, returns as a sponsor of the annual **Untermeyer Performing Arts Council's** summer concert series. The theme for 2017 "**World Fest**" accurately encompasses the different cultures of the eight million visitors the casino welcomes every year, making it the perfect partnership. Now in its 42nd year of free & quality entertainment, the Untermeyer Performing Arts Council's passionate commitment to the arts and service to the people of Yonkers aligns with Empire City's dedication to support outstanding community programs for the arts.

"We are honored to support the performing arts initiatives in our community," stated **Empire City Casino President and CEO Tim Rooney**. "The Untermeyer Performing Arts Council's summer concert series provides wonderful, free, family-friendly entertainment throughout the season, and Empire City is thrilled to be a continued sponsor of the series."

The concerts are free and open to the public every Saturday night through September 2nd at the beautiful and historic Untermeyer Park located at 945 North Broadway in Yonkers. Among the programs on tap this summer are such diverse performances as *An Evening from Bhangra* (July 15th), *Romeo and Juliet* (July 22nd), the *Yonkers Philharmonic* (July 29th), *The Dance Company of China* (August 12th), and the *Isadora Duncan Dance Company* (August 26th).

Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; attendees may bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the performances comfortably. In the event of rain, please call the Untermeyer Performing Arts Council's Arts Line, 914-375-3435, after 2:00 p.m. the day of for confirmation of the program's location. This year, the rain site will be the William Boyce Thompson School, 1065 North Broadway, Yonkers. For further information on the Untermeyer Performing Arts Council, please visit www.undermyer.org.

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About Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway:

Empire City Casino is one of the largest entertainment and gaming destinations in the northeast. Featuring 5,300 of the hottest slots, electronic three card poker, blackjack, craps, roulette, baccarat and sic bo, Empire City Casino also offers guests year-round harness racing and International simulcasting, live entertainment including the best party, tribute and Latin bands, comedy, New York's hottest DJ's, and more. A plethora of dining options will satisfy even the most discerning palate with Italian cuisine at Nonno's Trattoria; Dan Rooney's, a high-energy sports bar; Alley 810, a craft cocktail lounge with retro bowling lanes; and convenient delicious options at the International Food Court or Lil' Cocina. Visit Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway located at 810 Yonkers Avenue (off I-87 at Central Avenue) Yonkers, NY, Westchester County, open seven days a week from 10:00am to 6:00am. Visit www.empirecitycasino.com or call 914.968.4200 for information.

About the Untermeyer Performing Arts Council:

Founded in 1976, the Untermeyer Performing Arts Council is a 501.c.3 non-profit organization created in Yonkers for Yonkers people, operated by an all-volunteer Board of Directors. We have a passionate commitment to the arts and service to the people of Yonkers. Dedicated to continuing the tradition of Minnie and Samuel Untermeyer by bringing musical entertainment to our treasure of a park and the people of Yonkers, we take pride in executing our mission of community service through developing and promoting an appreciation in the performing arts, providing a summer series of varied, quality artistic performance, and year-round special events for adults and children at beautiful Untermeyer Park. Along with the support provided by Empire City Casino, World Fest 2017 is done in cooperation with Mayor Mike Spano and the Yonkers Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation, and is made possible by ArtsWestchester with support from Westchester County Government, the City of Yonkers, Assemblywoman Shelley Mayer and many generous supporters. For further information, please call the Untermeyer Performing Arts Council's Arts Line at 914-375-3435. For updates, visit our website www.undermyer.org, our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/upac1976/>, follow us on Twitter @UntermeyerPAC, LinkedIn and Pinterest.

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