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Grand Park Announces In-Person Return of 'Grand Park's NYELA' with GRAMMY®-Nominated Cuban Funk Artist CimaFunk, DJ Marques Wyatt and More

Grand Park's Historic 10TH Anniversary Continues with West Coast's Largest Free New Year's Eve Dance and Music Party Featuring Live Music Performances on Two Stages Plus Signature 3D Midnight Countdown Lightshow Projected onto L.A.'s Iconic City Hall

LOS ANGELES (December 1, 2022)-- Grand Park today announced the in-person return of Grand Park's NYELA after a two-year absence, with Grammy®-nominated Cuban Funk artist CimaFunk and renowned DJ Marques Wyatt topping off the highly-anticipated New Year's Eve celebration. Powered by The Music Center's Grand Park team, the West Coast's largest free New Year's Eve event will also continue Grand Park's historic 10th anniversary celebrations when the park's signature 3D countdown lightshow projected onto L.A.'s iconic City Hall leads revelers into 2023.

"Throughout 2022, Grand Park brought back live events for the whole family because Angelenos were ready to fall in love with L.A. all over again, and *Grand Park's NYELA* will be the icing on the cake," said Rachel S. Moore, president and CEO of The Music Center. "With an incredible roster of global DJs and homegrown music performers, this wonderful only-in-L.A. celebration invites all of us to embrace the new year with hope, community and just plain fun!"

"Grand Park was conceived 10 years ago as a dynamic and authentic space committed to showcasing L.A.-based musicians, DJs and talent that reflect our community's global sounds. Expect an unforgettable experience at *Grand Park's NYELA*--another joyous occasion to commemorate the park's historic 10th anniversary--as we look forward to making more wonderful memories together in L.A.'s park for everyone," added Grand Park Director Julia Diamond. "On behalf of the entire Grand Park team, I want to thank the artists, community partners and all Angelenos who celebrated the milestone anniversary throughout the year and invite everyone to join us for an amazing send off to 2022!"

With gates opening at 8:00 p.m., the ultimate New Year's Eve celebration will encompass the six city blocks that comprise Grand Park. Global Bass DJ Gingee sets the groove for the nearly five-hour celebration at the Get Down Stage, located in the park's Block 2 between Grand Avenue and Olive Court with host DJ Banga Brownin, followed by Bhangra/Afrobeat DJ MTooray, Cumbia Latin DJ collective Cumbiatón and world-renowned Marques Wyatt spinning Deep House beats. Grand Park's Countdown Stage, hosted by DJ Raul Campos in the park's Block 4 between Hill and Spring Streets, will feature Cumbia Latin Alternative musician San Cha, Electronic Jazz musicians Mark de Clive-Lowe & Friends, dance troupes Versa-Style Dance Company and Kati Hernandez & Kimbambula Cuban Dance and Music Ensemble, and CimaFunk. The celebration will culminate with Grand Park's signature midnight countdown featuring a stunning 3D visual spectacle projected on L.A.'s iconic City Hall.

"I love Cali and I can't wait to celebrate 2022 and welcome 2023 with the great people of Los Angeles," said CimaFunk. "It's going to get really FUNKY at midnight, so put on your dancing shoes and get ready to feel the GROOVE."

Attendees are welcome to enjoy a light bite and dessert for purchase from L.A.'s favorite gourmet food trucks. **Alcohol is not permitted and will not be sold at Grand Park.** For a complete list of Grand Park's prohibited items and activities, visit grandparkla.org

Grand Park's NYELA 2022 Line Up (*All artists and set times subject to change.*)

GET DOWN STAGE (Grand Park's Performance Lawn between Grand Avenue and Hill Street) hosted by Banga Brownin

8:00 - 9:00 p.m.: DJ Gingee

9:00 - 10:00 p.m.: DJ collective Cumbiatón

10:00 - 11:00 p.m.: DJ MTooray

11:00 - 11:55 p.m.: DJ Marques Wyatt

11:55 - 12:05 a.m.: Countdown to 2023 with City Hall 3D Lightshow Spectacle!

12:05 - 12:30 a.m.: DJ Marques Wyatt

COUNTDOWN STAGE (Grand Park's Event Lawn next to City Hall, between Broadway and Spring Street)

8:00 - 8:15 p.m.: Host DJ Raul Campos

8:15 - 8:55 p.m.: San Cha

8:55 - 9:05 p.m.: Raul Campos

9:05 - 9:20 p.m.: Versa-Style Dance Company

9:20 - 9:30 p.m.: Raul Campos

9:30 - 10:20 p.m.: Mark de Clive-Lowe & Friends

10:20 - 10:30 p.m.: Raul Campos

10:30 - 10:50 p.m.: Kati Hernandez & Kimbambula Cuban Dance and Music Ensemble

10:50 - 11:05 p.m.: Raul Campos

11:05 - 11:55 p.m.: CimaFunk

11:55 - 12:05 a.m.: Countdown to 2023 with City Hall 3D Lightshow Spectacle!

12:05 - 12:30 a.m.: Raul Campos

As an added attraction to *Grand Park's NYELA* celebration, the park will showcase captivating art installations by **Light Riders** and **XiteLabs**.

Public parking will be available at the main Music Center garage (135 N. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90012) and in The Music Center's Walt Disney Concert Hall garage (111 S. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90012) at a flat rate of \$10 per vehicle. Additional parking lots near Grand Park will be announced soon. However, given the large number of guests expected at the event, members of the public are highly encouraged to take public transportation. Grand Park is located conveniently at the Civic Center/Grand Park station along the Metro B Line (Red) and Metro D Line (Purple).

Attendees may access Grand Park's grounds through four specially-marked entrances:

- Olive and 1st Streets
- Hill and Temple Streets
- Main and 1st Streets
- Broadway and 2nd Street

For more information about Grand Park, visit grandparkla.org and follow Grand Park on **Facebook** ([@GrandParkLosAngeles](#)), as well as **Twitter**, **Instagram** and **TikTok** ([@GrandPark_LA](#)).

Grand Park's NYELA is generously supported by **The Grand LA**. Located at the cultural epicenter of Los Angeles, The Grand LA is a 24-7 destination for hospitality, entertainment, dining and experience, as well as a paradigm-shifting place to live.

CALENDAR LISTING

WHAT: *Grand Park's NYELA*

Returning live and in person for the first time in three years, Grand Park rings in the new year--and bids *audiverbo* to 2022--with the return of the West Coast's largest free New Year's Eve celebration. Featuring electrifying music

performances, global DJs, unique art installations and more, the free event for the whole family culminates with the signature 3D countdown to midnight and visual spectacle projected onto L.A.'s iconic City Hall.

WHEN: Saturday, December 31, 2022

8:00 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

WHERE: Grand Park

200 N. Grand Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90012

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TRANSPORTATION: Public parking will be available at two locations for \$10 per vehicle:

The Music Center garage Walt Disney Concert Hall garage

135 N. Grand Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90012

111 S. Grand Ave.

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About Grand Park

Celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2022 as a vibrant outdoor gathering place, Grand Park is a beautiful public park for the entire community in Los Angeles County. With expansive green space for gatherings large and small, Grand Park celebrates the county's cultural vitality and is host to community events, cultural experiences, holiday celebrations and many other activities that engage and attract visitors from all communities. The 12-acre Grand Park stretches from The Music Center on the west to City Hall on the east and is easily accessible by Metro via the B/D (formerly Red/Purple) line to the Civic Center/Grand Park station. The park was named one of American Planning Association's 10 "Great Public Spaces" in the U.S. for 2013. Working closely with the county, The Music Center is responsible for all operations and programming for the park. For more information, visit grandparkla.org. Follow Grand Park on Instagram, Twitter, Twitch, TikTok, Spotify and Mixcloud (**@grandpark_la**) as well as YouTube and Facebook (**@grandparkLosAngeles**).

About The Music Center

The Music Center convenes artists, communities and ideas with the goal of deepening the cultural lives of every resident in Los Angeles County. The \$70 million non-profit performing arts organization has two divisions: TMC Arts and TMC Ops. TMC Arts, The Music Center's programming engine, provides year-round programming inside The Music Center's four theatres, on Jerry Moss Plaza, outside at Grand Park--a 12-acre adjacent green space--in schools and other locations all over Los Angeles County and on a digital platform called *The Music Center Offstage*. TMC Arts presents world-class dance with *Glorya Kaufman Presents Dance at The Music Center*, free and low-cost public concerts and events, as well as live and digital K-12 arts education programs, workshops, performances, interactive experiences and special events. TMC Ops manages the theatres, the Plaza and Grand Park, which comprise \$2 billion in county assets, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles. The Music Center is also home to four renowned resident companies--Center Theatre Group, Los Angeles Master Chorale, LA Opera and LA Phil. For more information, visit musiccenter.org. Follow The Music Center on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter **@MusicCenterLA**.

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