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Legendary Singer Songwriters Loudon Wainwright III & Tom Rush Come to Weinberg Center

FREDERICK, MD, February 20, 2023 — Loudon Wainwright III and Tom Rush bring storytelling with melancholy ballads and gritty blues to the Weinberg Center for the Arts in Frederick, Maryland, Friday, March 17 at 8:00 PM. Joining them will be former Tivoli Discovery Series artist, Matt Nakoa.

Tickets start at $27 and may be purchased online at WeinbergCenter.org, by calling the box office at 301-600-2828, or in person at 20 West Patrick Street. Discounts are available for students, children, military, and seniors.

Loudon Wainwright III came to fame when “Dead Skunk” became a Top 20 hit in 1972. He had studied acting at Carnegie-Mellon University but dropped out to partake in the “Summer of Love” in San Francisco and wrote his first song in 1968 (“Edgar,” about a lobsterman in Rhode Island). He was soon signed to Atlantic Records by Nesuhi Ertegun, and was lured by Clive Davis to Columbia Records, which released “Dead Skunk.” His songs have since been recorded by Bonnie Raitt, Johnny Cash, Earl Scruggs, Kate & Anna McGarrigle, his son Rufus Wainwright, and Mose Allison, among others. Additionally, Wainwright has co-written with songwriter/producer Joe Henry on the music for Judd Apatow’s hit movie Knocked Up, written music for the British theatrical adaptation of the Carl Hiaasen novel Lucky You, and composed topical songs for NPR’s Morning Edition and All Things Considered and ABC’s Nightline. An accomplished actor, he has appeared in films directed by Martin Scorsese, Hal Ashby, Christopher Guest, Tim Burton, Cameron Crowe and Judd Apatow.

Beginning his career in Boston at the famed Club 47, Tom Rush helped shape the folk revival in the '60s and the renaissance of the '80s and '90s. His early recordings introduced the world to the work of Joni Mitchell, Jackson Browne and James Taylor. He is credited by Rolling Stone with “ushering in the singer/songwriter era.” Having just celebrated his 50th year on stage and in the studio, Tom continues to break new ground. His YouTube clip of “Remember Song” has become an internet sensation with close to 6 million plays. His crowd source, Sold-Out 50th Anniversary concert at Boston’s Symphony Hall was filmed and broadcast by PBS and the video documentary “Tom Rush - No Regrets” won Best Documentary at the New Hampshire Film Festival and is screening throughout New England.

For your convenience below are links to photos of the artists
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A complete listing of artists and performers scheduled for the 2022-23 season can be found at [WeinbergCenter.org](http://WeinbergCenter.org).

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