



MIAMI DESIGN DISTRICT PERFORMANCE SERIES
Presented by the John S. & James L. Knight Foundation
Produced by EMILIO ESTEFAN in collaboration with the Miami
Symphony Orchestra returns with weekly FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE
PERFORMANCES

MIAMI, FL (October 2017) - After a short summer break the much anticipated Miami Design District Performance Series (formerly the Palm Court Performance Series) returns to the Palm Court in the Miami Design District with its' weekly Friday night ensemble of live musical performances. Produced by 19-time Grammy© Award winning producer **Emilio Estefan** in collaboration with **Maestro Eduardo Marturet** (Miami Symphony Orchestra), the music series is offered **FREE** and open to the public.

Following incredible performances in December, January, March and April, the Series has gathered together thousands of community members to enjoy dynamic sunset views and virtuous performances for all ages. Expanding on the past success of the program, the series comes back with highly acclaimed performers and acts from all genres as well as the wildly popular Miami Symphony Orchestra (MISO)-Pop-UP Concerts.

Emilio Estefan will continue to curate the weekly series which will showcase the brightest and hottest musical talent.

"I am very excited and honored to present the second season of the performance series. The community embraced our inaugural season last spring, which featured a diverse and multi-cultural musical experience with its Latin, Jazz and Caribbean influences. My partner, Craig Robbins along with the John S. & James L. Knight Foundation and Maestro Eduardo Marturet are committed to showcasing an incredible talent line-up again this Fall **FREE** and open to the public."

The series kicks off Friday, **October 13th** with **Italian Superstar Tenors Il Volo** featuring students from **The Frost School of Music** and on **October 20th**, the-season opener of the **Miami Symphony Orchestra POP-UP Concert** which will feature crossover tenor **Fernando Varela** and direct from the critically acclaimed Broadway musical, "**On Your Feet**", **Ana Villafañe**.

The following weeks include performances by 10X Grammy winner **Arturo Sandoval** and the legendary **Wailers**

With Happy Hour specials at Estefan Kitchen starting at 5:00pm and live musical performances starting at 6:30 pm, The Palm Court performance series is the perfect way to kick off your weekend .This season, Estefan Kitchen will offer VIP table and bottle service with a special curated menu by Chef Odell Torres. For reservations please call 786-843-3880 or visit www.estefankitchen.com

The Miami Design District's Palm Court is located at **140 NE 39th Street, Miami, FL 33137**. The Palm Court Performance Series is sponsored by Miami Design District and Estefan Kitchen

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ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE:

OCTOBER 13th **ITALIAN SUPERSTAR TENORS IL VOLO FEATURING STUDENTS FROM THE FROST SCHOOL OF MUSIC**

Latin Grammy Nominated and Billboard Latin Music Award Winners Il Volo, are an Italian operatic pop trio, consisting of singers: Gianluca Ginoble, Piero Barone and [Ignazio Boschetto](#). Having won the Sanremo Music Festival in 2015, Il Volo are multi-platinum recording artists performing concerts to sold-out audiences around the world.

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OCTOBER 20th **MIAMI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FEATURING CROSSOVER TENOR FERNANDO VARELA AND FROM BROADWAY'S ON YOUR FEET! ANA VILLAFANE**

The Miami Symphony Orchestra (MISO), now in its historic 29th season, is Miami's hometown professional symphony and a valuable contributor to Miami's cultural fabric. Led by Music Director & Conductor Maestro **Eduardo Marturet**, **MISO** represents the exceptional talent and diversity that mirrors South Florida's international and multicultural richness. The performance will feature crossover tenor **Fernando Varela** and direct from the critically acclaimed Broadway musical, "**On Your Feet**", **Ana Villafañe**. **The Miami Symphony Orchestra** will also perform the world premiere of "**Music for Sixty and Sax**" by Eduardo Marturet with Grammy Winner Saxophonist Ted Calle, **Concerto for Guitar** by Tulio Cremisini, with the composer as soloist. and will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Leonard Bernstein birth with Symphonic Dances of "West Side Story"

OCT. 27TH **LATIN GRAMMY NOMINEE RAQUEL SOFIA**

Latin Grammy Nominee Raquel Sofia is an indie phenomenon. Before releasing her first album, she had already written and performed with some of the most popular & influential artists in the Latin market including Shakira & Juanes. Singer, songwriter and musician from Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, she's become a digital phenomenon and Latin Pop's great new promise, thanks to her unique songwriting style and vocal abilities.

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NOV. 3RD **10X GRAMMY AWARD WINNER ARTIST ARTURO SANDOVAL FEATURING THE FROST SCHOOL OF MUSIC STUDIO JAZZ BAND**

Arturo Sandoval is one of the most dynamic and vivacious live performers of our time, and has been awarded 10 Grammy Awards, and nominated 19 times; he has also received 6 Billboard Awards and an Emmy Award. He has evolved into one of the world's most acknowledged guardians of jazz trumpet and flugelhorn, as well as a renowned classical artist, pianist and composer. Sandoval will perform with students from the critically acclaimed Frost School of music directed by Steve Guerra.

NOV. 10TH THE WAILERS –FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST EMILY ESTEFAN

The legendary Wailers band brings its evolutionary sound to fans around the world. Steered by famed bassist and founder Aston "Familyman" Barrett, and joined in solidarity with original Wailers' guitarists Julian Junior Marvin and Donald Kinsey, The Wailers continue to create musical history and will feature a special appearance by **Emily Estefan**.

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NOV 17TH MIAMI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FEATURING DIRECT FROM AMERICA'S GOT TALENT. . ANGELINA GREEN AND SINGER LOLA PONCE.

The Miami Symphony Orchestra (MISO), now in its historic 27th season, is Miami's hometown professional symphony and a valuable contributor to Miami's cultural fabric. The November 17th performance will have the music from the famous show MISO CHIC with Executive Producer for Special Events Fernando Duprat and will feature direct from America's Got Talent **Angelina Green** and singer **Lola Ponce**.

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NOV. 24TH CELIA CRUZ ALL-STARS FEATURING ARTIST CARLOS OLIVA

The Celia Cruz All Stars brings back to life part of modern and classic Queen of Salsa's repertory. Songs like "La Negra Tiene Tumbao", "Quimbara", "Usted Abusó", "La Vida Es Un Carnaval", "Bemba Colora", among others, are coming back to remember and honor one of the most influential artists of all times. The Celia Cruz All-Stars will be joined by Cuban-born vocalist and percussionist the legendary, **Carlos Oliva**. Time Magazine credits him with being one of the original Godfathers of the "Miami Sound" having worked with Miami Sound Machine when it first burst onto the music scene.

DEC. 1ST DJ SPAM ALL-STARS

Spam Allstars are a [United States](#) nine-piece [Hip hop](#), [Latin](#), [funk](#), and [electronica](#) band from [Miami, Florida](#).


DEC. 8TH ART BASEL SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

DEC. 15TH MIAMI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Led by Music Director & Conductor Maestro **Eduardo Marturet**, MISO represents the exceptional talent and diversity that mirrors South Florida's international and multicultural richness. Special guest to be announced.

DEC. 22ND

**HOLIDAY CONCERT FEATURING SHELLY BERG AND MUSICIANS
FROM THE FROST SCHOOL OF MUSIC'S HENRY MANCINI
INSTITUTE**

The Frost School of Music's Henry Mancini Institute's mission is to nurture the future of music through multi-genre professional training for its students, and to impact the lives of others through inspiring community engagement programs. Shelly Berg is an American pianist, composer, arranger, orchestrator, producer, and Grammy nominated for his work on Gloria Estefan's *The Standards*. 

About Emilio Estefan

A world-renowned music, television and film producer who has been instrumental in shaping, developing and directing the careers of his superstar wife, Gloria, as well as Shakira, Ricky Martin, Jennifer Lopez, Marc Anthony and Jon Secada amongst many others. Emilio has achieved incredible success throughout his career, boasting more than 40 years of industry-leading achievements, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and induction into the Latin Songwriters Hall of Fame just to name a few. With a resume that includes 19 Grammy Awards, Emilio has experimented and pushed the envelope of blending Latin, pop and world rhythms creating a unique style and personality that has created chart-topping worldwide hits. It is this vision that transcends the music field and spills over into film, television, hotels and restaurants, among other business endeavors including serving as the Executive Producer of the Tony-Award nominated smash Broadway musical, *On Your Feet!* And most recently, along with director Kenny Ortega celebrated the World Premiere of their film *A Change of Heart*, at the Miami Film Festival.

About Estefan Kitchen

International superstars **Emilio & Gloria Estefan** open **Estefan Kitchen**, a new fine-dining Cuban restaurant in the Miami Design District, a neighborhood dedicated to uniting design, destination dining, fashion, art and architecture. Helmed by **Chef Odell Torres**, who was recently named one of Miami's Hot New Chefs by Ocean Drive Magazine, the menu offers reimagined versions of traditional Estefan family recipes, with dishes such as *lechón flatbread*, *lechón crispy moros*, *vaca frita*, *braised short ribs* and *paella*. Located in Palm Court, one of the Miami Design District's central hubs, Estefan Kitchen will present a rotating roster of live music and performing servers & bartenders, a nod to the Estefans passion for world-class entertainment. With the opening of Estefan Kitchen, the Estefans bring their culinary heritage to one of Miami's most creative neighborhoods, offering locals and visitors a one-of-a-kind dining experience in an inspiring setting. Estefan Kitchen is located at 140 NE 39 Street, Palm Court, Miami Design District. Serving lunch and dinner daily from 11:30am and the express café will be open at 9am. For reservations or more information, please call (786) 843-3880 or go to EstefanKitchen.com.

ABOUT MIAMI DESIGN DISTRICT

The Miami Design District is a one-of-a-kind neighborhood that combines luxury shopping, galleries, museums, design stores, restaurants and major art and design installations all within an architecturally significant context. The Miami Design District is owned and operated by Miami Design District Associates, a partnership between Dacra, founded and owned by visionary entrepreneur Craig Robins, and L Real Estate, a global real estate development and investment fund, specializing in creating luxury shopping destinations. In 2017, the Miami Design District is expanding dramatically, with new restaurants and luxury boutiques opening in the distinctive, walkable neighborhood that welcomes and encourages

innovation. As Miami becomes increasingly known for its own rich culture, the growth of the Miami Design District further reflects how the city is deserving of its place on the global stage.

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