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JUSTIN HAYWARD BRINGS “THE WIND OF HEAVEN TOUR” TO THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Tickets on sale now for concert on Thursday, February 23 at the Broward Center

FORT LAUDERDALE – Legendary singer-songwriter **Justin Hayward** brings his “The Wind of Heaven Tour” to Fort Lauderdale in support of his latest album release *All The Way*. Hayward will be performing new songs from the album as well as Moody Blues favorites.

AEG Live and the Broward Center for the Performing Arts present the concert on Thursday, February 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Amaturio Theater. Tickets are on sale now.

All The Way includes the newly released single “The Wind of Heaven,” a heartfelt song about a wounded warrior who left his soul on the battlefield and is having a difficult time adjusting to being home. Co-written with accomplished musician David Minasian, the song is dedicated to all of those who have served their country. The song has received standing ovations worldwide on the tour.

Hayward will be joined by special guest Mike Dawes, who is hailed as one of the world's finest and most creative modern fingerstyle guitarists. He will perform an opening set, as well as play guitar in Hayward's band.

As the driving force behind The Moody Blues, Hayward penned classics like “Nights in White Satin,” “New Horizons” and “Your Wildest Dreams,” which peaked at number nine on the charts, combining progressive-rock power with symphonic romanticism.

Hayward's career as a solo artist began in 1977 with the release of *Songwriter*, which had three single releases “One Lonely Room/Songwriter” (Part 2), “Country Girl/Doin' Time” and “Stage Door/Lay It On Me.” In 1978, Hayward had a worldwide hit single with the beautiful and timeless “Forever Autumn” from the *War of the Worlds* project.

In 1979, Hayward received the ASCAP award for “Nights in White Satin.” Also that year, the Moodies regrouped for the album *OCTAVE* and between that and their next album *Long Distance Voyager* in 1981, Hayward released his second solo album *Night Flight*, which was a mixture of his own songs and those of other writers. Two singles were released from that album, “Night Flight/Suitcase” and “Nearer To You/It's Not On.”

Hayward has received four ASCAP awards, the BMI Million Plays award for “Story in Your Eyes” and an Ivor Novello Statue as well as numerous other songwriter awards around the world. His song “Nights in White Satin” features regularly in the all-time lists of favorite songs, including being in the top 10 Songs of the Millennium, voted for by the public, on BBC-TV. In 1997, Hayward was honored with the ultimate accolade when he was the chosen subject for *This is Your Life*, an overdue recognition of a lifetime's work.

In addition to recording his own solo albums, Hayward continues to tour and record with the Moodies, as well as other artists. Hayward's charitable endeavors are many and varied; he likes to give his time to performing and recording for charitable organizations around the world.

Tickets are \$59.50 - \$69.50 with VIP packages available for \$169.50 which offers premium seating and other exclusives. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at BrowardCenter.org or Ticketmaster.com; by phone at 954-462-0222; in person at Ticketmaster outlets or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets. We CANNOT PROVIDE REFUNDS OR CUSTOMER SERVICE for tickets purchased from unauthorized sites, brokers or secondary ticket sellers.

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