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Note to editors: Additional shows have been added which update previously distributed press materials.

## SEBASTIAN MANISCALCO BRINGS HIS 2017 UNRIVALED "WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT?" NATIONAL TOUR TO THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS FOR FOUR SHOWS ON NOVEMBER 24 & 25

"The comedian's comedian" (People Magazine) is taking his "braggadocios" (Billboard) stand-up routine to more than 10 cities across the U.S. this fall including stops in never-before-headlined markets Nashville, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis & more

Sebastian Adds Momentum to 2017 "Top 20 Global Concert Tour" (Pollstar)

FORT LAUDERDALE – Comedian Sebastian Maniscalco will perform four shows in the Au-Rene Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts on Friday, November 24 at 7 and 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, November 25 at 7 and 10 p.m. His appearance has been generously underwritten by The Harry T. Mangurian, Jr. Foundation.

Maniscalco continues to build upon arguably the most successful year of his career yet: In 2016 he was named *Just For Laughs* Stand Up "Comedian of the Year;" selected for *People Magazine's* annual "Ones to Watch" package; and his third hit special *Why Would You Do That?* was declared Showtime's most successful comedy/variety special premiere in 2016.

This year, shortly after welcoming his daughter, Serafina, into the world with his wife Lana, he set the record for most consecutive comedy appearances at the Borgata with a seven-performance stint in Atlantic City in early July. Maniscalco continues to adhere to the voice he describes as "always in the back of my head saying 'Don't rest!'," and takes what *The New York Times* calls his "own kind of panache" across the US this fall.

"I just had to go on tour this fall because with a new baby, comes new material," shares Sebastian.

Dubbed "one of the hottest comics" by Newsday and "one of the funniest comics working stand-up today" by Esquire, Sebastian's live performance has become a critically-acclaimed event, with the Los Angeles Times raving, "onstage, there's an impatience to Maniscalco's delivery as well, a hair-trigger exasperation with people and modern life, punctuated with baffled expressions, percussive thumps on the microphone and wide-swung leg kicks more associated with an Olympic speed-skater than a stand-up comic."

In addition to starring in his wildly popular podcast as heard on SiriusXM, "The Pete and Sebastian Show," Maniscalco is making several major motion picture appearances this year including a voice-over role in the animated feature *The Nut Job 2*, a role in the New Line Feature comedy *The House* starring Will Ferrell and Amy Poehler, as well as a role in the independent drama *Cruise*, directed by Rob Siegel and produced by Jeremy Renner.

Tickets are \$39.75-\$59.75 with \$150 VIP packages which include premium seating and other exclusives and \$250 VIP packages that include a meet and greet with the artist. Select performances also offer \$129.75 LATAM AIRLINES CLUB LEVEL tickets.

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at <u>BrowardCenter.org</u> or <u>Ticketmaster.com</u>; by phone at 954.462.0222 or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets.

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale.

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One of America's premier performing arts venues, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts presents more than 700 performances each year to more than 700,000 patrons, showcasing a wide range of exciting cultural programming and events. Guest experiences at the Broward Center include the all-inclusive LATAM AIRLINES CLUB LEVEL, spectacular riverfront views for special events in the Huizenga Pavilion, waterfront dining at Marti's New River Bistro and innovative classes and workshops for all ages at the Rose Miniaci Arts Education Center. With one of the largest arts-in-education programs in the United States, the Broward Center serves more than 150,000 students annually. The Broward Performing Arts Foundation, Inc. receives and maintains funds to sustain, develop and secure the future of the Broward Center. The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Ave. in Fort Lauderdale. For more information, visit BrowardCenter.org.

The Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment Consortium is a cultural partnership between the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Bonnet House Museum & Gardens, NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale, Florida Grand Opera, Fort Lauderdale History Center and the Historic Stranahan House Museum. It is supported by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau. Programs are sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Council on Arts and Culture.

CALENDAR BRIEF: Comedian Sebastian Maniscalco will perform four shows in the Au-Rene Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts on Friday, November 24 at 7 and 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, November 25 at 7 and 10 p.m. Tickets are on sale to the 7 p.m. performance and the newly added 9:30 p.m. Maniscalco continues to build upon arguably the most successful year of his career yet: In 2016 he was named Just For Laughs Stand Up "Comedian of the Year;" selected for People Magazine's annual "Ones to Watch" package; and his third hit special Why Would You Do That? was declared Showtime's most successful comedy/variety special premiere in 2016. Tickets are \$39.75-\$59.75 with \$150 VIP packages which include premium seating and other exclusives and \$250 VIP packages that include a meet and greet with the artist. Select performances also offer \$129.75 LATAM AIRLINES CLUB LEVEL tickets. 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 or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale.

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