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MOTOWN'S HIT MAKER SMOKEY ROBINSON COMES TO THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

FORT LAUDERDALE – Inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame twice – once on his own and again as the lead member of the Miracles – legendary singer-songwriter **Smokey Robinson** comes to the Au-Rene Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts on **Tuesday, March 7 at 8 p.m.** The concert has been generously underwritten by Daniel Baker and Gladys Taggart.

Robinson's smooth tenor voice, impeccable timing and high energy have powered such hits as "Cruisin," "Just to See Her," "The Tracks of My Tears," "The Tears of a Clown" and "I Second That Emotion."

In the years between 1960 and 1971, Smokey Robinson and the Miracles had more than 25 hits on the charts including "You've Really Got a Hold on Me," "Going to a Go-Go" and "Ooo Baby Baby."

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame noted, "Save for founder Berry Gordy, no single figure has been more closely allied with the Detroit-based recording empire known as Motown than William "Smokey" Robinson.

Robinson also wrote and produced many of Motown's other hits including "Ain't That Peculiar," "My Guy," "The Way You Do the Things You Do" and "My Girl." He received the 2016 Library of Congress Gershwin Prize for Popular Song and the 2009 Rhythm & Soul Heritage Award from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.

Another Detroit music icon, Aretha Franklin, introduced Robinson when he was inducted into the Kennedy Center Honors saying "Smokey is definitely one of the best: anytime, anywhere, any place."

Tickets are \$39-\$110 with \$129 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; 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.

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: With hits like "Cruisin," "Just to See Her," "The Tracks of My Tears," "The Tears of a Clown" and "I Second That Emotion," **Smokey Robinson** brings his smooth tenor voice, impeccable timing and high energy to the Au-Rene Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts on **Tuesday, March 7 at 8 p.m.** Tickets are \$39-\$110 with \$129 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; in person at Ticketmaster outlets 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.