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## **TICKETS ARE GOING ON SALE FOR FIVE-TIME GRAMMY® AWARD WINNER MICHAEL MCDONALD**

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**FORT LAUDERDALE** – Tickets go on sale Friday, August 25 for a concert by five-time Grammy® Award-winning vocalist and acclaimed singer/songwriter Michael McDonald on Sunday, March 4 at Parker Playhouse.

The tour follows the upcoming release of *Wide Open*, McDonald's first album of new music in nearly a decade. The album's most recent single, "Half Truth," recently premiered via *Billboard*, who call the forthcoming record "as diverse an album as McDonald has ever made." Previously, NPR Music's "Songs We Love" premiered the first single, "Find it in Your Heart," noting that "within seconds of the opening 'oohs' and warm, groovy vibes of McDonald's new song, 'Find It In Your Heart,' your heart will be overjoyed. The opening notes call up immediate memories of some of his much-beloved Doobie Brothers classics, like 'What A Fool Believes' and 'Takin' It To The Streets,' as well as some of his incredible harmony singing with Steely Dan on 'Peg' and 'Bad Sneakers.'"

The Recording Industry Association of America presented McDonald with a special Gold & Platinum Award celebrating his more than 26 million RIAA album and song certifications. After honing his talents as a studio musician, McDonald became an integral part of Steely Dan before joining the Doobie Brothers for whom he served as singer, keyboardist and songwriter on such Top 40 singles as "Takin' It To The Streets," "It Keeps You Runnin'," "Minute By Minute" and "What A Fool Believes." Throughout the '80s and '90s McDonald's solo career took off with a string of hits including "I Keep Forgettin' (Every Time You're Near)," "Sweet Freedom," "On My Own" (with Patti LaBelle) and the Grammy-winning James Ingram duet "Yah Mo B There."

McDonald recently collaborated with bassist Thundercat and Kenny Loggins on the hit single "Show You The Way," which the trio recently performed on *The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*.

Tickets are \$47.50–\$87.50 with \$199, \$250 and \$350 VIP packages offering premium seating and other exclusives. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of Parker Playhouse. Buy tickets online at [ParkerPlayhouse.com](http://ParkerPlayhouse.com) and [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com); by phone at 954.462.0222; in person at the Parker Playhouse box office Tuesday through Saturday from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. and at the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office.

The Parker Playhouse, located in Holiday Park at 707 N.E. Eighth Street in Fort Lauderdale, is an affiliated venue of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, which provides programming and management of the facility. The Broward Center 2017-2018 season is presented by the Broward Performing Arts Foundation.

For more information visit [ParkerPlayhouse.com](http://ParkerPlayhouse.com), like us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/TheParkerPlayhouse](https://www.facebook.com/TheParkerPlayhouse) and join the conversation on Twitter with #ParkerPlayhouse.

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#### ABOUT PARKER PLAYHOUSE

The neo-classical Playhouse Parker is one of Fort Lauderdale's first venues. Built by Dr. Louis Parker, the playhouse opened its doors on February 6, 1967 and is managed now by the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. This 1,168-seat, fully equipped theater plays an important role in the community by fueling economic development, while also bringing the community together with performances, activities and educational programming.

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