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Chris Kattan On Stage at SJCC

*SNL Comic Chris Kattan Presents his New Memoir, "Baby Don't Hurt Me"
at the SJCC Arts+Ideas Stage on July 9*

MERCER ISLAND, Wash. — The Stroum Jewish Community Center (SJCC) is thrilled to announce an author talk with veteran *Saturday Night Live* comic Chris Kattan at the SJCC auditorium on Tuesday, July 9 at 7:30 pm.

Moderated by cultural conversationalist Warren Etheredge of The Warren Report, Kattan will discuss his new tell-all memoir, "Baby Don't Hurt Me." He'll share stories from his unconventional childhood (filled with unusual characters like Zen monks and countercultural heroes Carlos Castaneda and poet Leonard Cohen), growing up on Bainbridge Island, his eight seasons performing with friends and future legends Will Ferrell and Tina Fey among others on *Saturday Night Live* and subsequent falling out with Lorne Michaels, and the near-death fall on live TV show that led to years-long struggles with addiction.

The event includes books sale and signing as well after the show. Talk only and book bundle tickets are available.

A former member of The Groundlings sketch comedy troupe in LA, Kattan is best known for the incomparable style of physical comedy he brought to such memorable *SNL* characters as Mango, Mr. Peepers, and one-half of the trademark head-bopping, nightclubbing Butabi brothers alongside fellow *SNL* cast member Will Ferrell in the 1998 film *A Night at the Roxbury*. Now, for the first time ever, Kattan opens up about his years on *Saturday Night Live*, sharing never-before told stories, provocative and personal, goofy and heartwrenching.

This celebrity author talk closes out the SJCC's 2018-19 Arts+Ideas performing arts season and its "Words to the Wise" Speaker Series (A free, outdoor screening of the "The Producers" and beer garden takes place on August 10). The 2019-20 season, featuring a full lineup of music from around the world, renowned chefs, local authors, headlining comedians, and more will be announced in August.

Event Details

Author Talk: *Saturday Night Live* Comic Chris Kattan's New Memoir, "Baby Don't Hurt Me"

Tuesday, July 9 | 7:30pm

Stroum Jewish Community Center, 3801 E. Mercer Way, Mercer Island WA 98040

Tickets: \$15*/\$20 talk only | \$30*/\$35 includes talk + discounted book (retails \$24.95+tax)

sjcc.org/arts-ideas/talks/#kattan | Box office: 206-388-0833

*Ticket discount pricing for current SJCC members, students, seniors 65+

About Stroum Jewish Community Center: The Stroum Jewish Community Center inspires connections to build community and ensure Jewish continuity. Together we create outstanding programs, partnerships and spaces that welcome everyone to learn, grow and celebrate Jewish life and culture. Learn more at www.sjcc.org

About SJCC Arts + Ideas: The 2018/19 SJCC Arts + Ideas season includes five series (Global Sound International Concerts, Words to the Wise talks, Fable to Table culinary programs and chef talks, Jest Fest comedy shows, theater and year-round film). In all, over 40 programs annually, plus the annual 11-day Seattle Jewish Film Festival in the spring and SeaJAM (Seattle's Jewish Arts + Music Festival) in the fall. Tickets and Info: SJCC.org/arts-ideas

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