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SeaJAM 2019 Lineup Announced

Debra Messing, chef Joel Gamoran & the Maccabeats to highlight 2019 SeaJAM festival celebrating the SJCC's 50th anniversary.

MERCER ISLAND, Wash. — The Stroum Jewish Community Center (SJCC) is thrilled to announce the entertainment lineup for the 2019 Seattle Jewish Arts & Music Festival (SeaJAM), celebrating the 50th anniversary of the SJCC on Mercer Island and 70th in greater Seattle.

Highlighting this year's Festival will be *Will & Grace* star Debra Messing, Sur La Table's national chef Joel Gamoran and Jewish a capella group the Maccabeats. The SeaJAM Festival will run from Sept. 13-15 and will be centered around celebrating the J's anniversary year.

"We are very excited about this year's line-up at our second annual SeaJAM," said SJCC CEO Amy Lavin. "It will bring excitement, delight and, most importantly, community celebration to this milestone year when we celebrate our 50th anniversary on Mercer Island and 70th in greater Seattle. The SJCC remains a place where friendships form, traditions thrive, and community strengthens and in this anniversary year, we recommit to creating experiences that unify us, celebrate Jewish values, and assure that we all feel connected in and around the SJCC. This year's SeaJAM lineup does just that."

Here is the entertainment line-up for SeaJAM 2019:

Saturday, September 14 (at Benaroya Hall, Seattle)

Debra Messing: conversation with the Emmy-winning star of *Will & Grace*.

Sunday, September 15 (at SJCC Auditorium, Mercer Island)

Chef Joel Gamoran: 50th Anniversary brunch + banter with Sur La Table's national chef and host of A&E's hit series *Scraps*.

The Maccabeats: family concert from a capella stars combining Jewish music and playful pop parodies.

The SeaJAM Festival will begin on Friday, September 13 with a special anniversary *Shabbat with the J* event and will end with the Maccabeats concert on Sunday, September 15.

Presale for SeaJAM 2019 tickets to J members and Arts+Ideas followers will begin Wednesday, July 17. Public ticket sales begin Wednesday, July 24. For ticket pricing, times and more information about SeaJAM 2019 or how to become a member/follower, visit SJCC.org.

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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