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CHRIS ISAACSON PRESENTS AND HILTON LOS ANGELES/UNIVERSAL CITY PRESENT *NEW YEAR'S EVE 2016 A POP ROCKIN' CELEBRATION* WITH SPECIAL GUEST POP STAR BELINDA CARLISLE ALSO STARRING FRENCHIE DAVIS, ROGELIO DOUGLAS JR., DAVID HERNANDEZ, MAYA, AND JAKE SIMPSON

Chris Isaacson Presents and the Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City have announced NEW YEAR'S EVE 2016: A POP ROCKIN' CELEBRATION with special guest pop star Belinda Carlisle and also starring Frenchie Davis, Rogelio Douglas Jr., David Hernandez, Maya, and Jake Simpson, performing hits from the 80s to today as well as fresh arrangements of favorites from the Great American Songbook and classic rhythm and blues. The festivities will begin at 7pm in the Hilton's elegant Sierra Ballroom.

The evening will be a return to the traditional supper club experience. Ticket packages give guests the option of a four-course dinner, pre-show artist meet and greet, premium top shelf bottle service at tables, or simply a ticket for the show. Regardless of the package, all patrons will have access to the Sierra Ballroom's large dance floor, live concert and entertainment, full bar, celebratory champagne toast, party favors, balloon drop, and much more.

Pop icon **Belinda Carlisle** co-founded The Go-Go's. One of the most successful American bands of the 1980s, a few of their chart topping hits were *We Got the Beat, Our Lips Are Sealed,* and *Mad About You.* Carlisle followed the success of the Go-Go's with chart topping hits of her own with *Heaven on Earth* being nominated for a Grammy Award. Her fourth solo album, *Live Your Life Be Free,* marked a return to 1960s-influenced music. Her 1992 greatest hits album *The Best of Belinda, Volume 1* reached #1 in the US, and was certified double platinum in the UK and platinum in Australia. In 2001, the Go-Go's reunited and released an album of new material, and Carlisle also released her seventh album, *Voila.* Among many solo dates in 2011, she also toured the US with The Go-Go's, including playing to a packed house at the iconic Greek Theatre in Los Angeles. She is currently touring non-stop around the world.

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Frenchie Davis was first noticed when she auditioned for Fox TV's *American Idol*. Her success on the show launched her rise to fame quickly. Davis was in the Broadway cast of *Rent* for four years and then toured the West Coast playing Effie White in *Dreamgirls*. Davis toured with Ruben Studdard and Trenyce Cobbins in the 30th Anniversary revival of *Ain't Misbehavin'* and the cast recording was nominated for a Grammy Award. She was also one of the top finalists on NBC's *The Voice*. In 2016, Davis will release her long awaited CD debut, produced by Chris Willis.

Rogelio Douglas Jr. is one of those rare performers who can legitimately be called a triple threat — actor, singer/songwriter, and dancer. Since his move to LA, Douglas has guest-starred on NBC's newest Dick Wolf spin-off *Chicago PD*, the Netflix original hit series *Orange Is The New Black*, and landed a recurring role on *Ray Donovan*. On the big screen he can be seen in the Oscar Award-winning film *Whiplash*, *Superfast!*, and the number one summer box office hit *Straight Outta Compton*. Recently, Douglas starred in the Pasadena Playhouse production of *Kiss*, *Me Kate*, stopping the show every night with his performance of *Too Darn Hot*. On the Broadway stage he has appeared in *In The Heights, The Little Mermaid*, and *Riverdance: The Show*. Douglas is currently in the studio recording his first original album.

David Hernandez gained national attention as a finalist on *American Idol*, after which he made appearances on The Ellen Degeneres Show, The Today Show, MTV's *TRL*, *Extra*, *Entertainment Tonight*, *Access Hollywood*, *Teen Choice Awards*, *TV Guide's Sexiest Stars (2008)*, *Idol Tonight*, and *Idol Gives Back*. Hernandez sang at the 2008 Inaugural Celebration for President Barack Obama, sharing the stage with Jamie Foxx, John Legend, and hosts Jessica Alba and legendary TV producer Norman Lear. Hernandez was the featured vocalist for *Ballroom with a Twist*, a spinoff of *Dancing with the Stars*. He will be releasing his new single and video, *Beautiful*, an uptempo pop song, in 2016. Visit www.DavidHernandezOfficial.com.

Maya was a favorite of show judges while on *The Voice Australia—Season 2*. Her voice is vibrant and powerful and she melds old-school soul and substance with neoteric beats. Maya takes her audiences on a dynamic journey. Fittingly, her first single was called *Nothing Like This*. A third generation musician, Maya started performing at the tender age of eight by improvising 12-bar blues onstage with her father. Her upbringing was showered with the musical influences of legendary icons like Lauryn Hill, Jimi Hendrix, Led Zeppelin, Ella Fitzgerald, and most notably, Aretha Franklin. This past year she collaborated with many of Melbourne's finest producers including Haxx (*Deja*), Robert Upward, and Jan Skubiszewski (*Way of the Eagle*). Maya is currently writing and recording with Los Angeles-based songwriting team *Smash Bros*. and songwriter Shelley Segal for her upcoming album.

Jake Simpson won top honors twice (2003 and 2004) in the Adult Singer category on *Star Search* with his powerful high tenor voice and three-octave range. Simpson has written, recorded, and performed with many artists including Grammy Award-winners like Desmond Child, Earth, Wind & Fire, Jennifer Holliday, Paula Cole, Taylor Dayne, Adam Lambert, David Archuleta, Jim Brickman, and most famously on *The Oprah Winfrey Show* with Stevie Wonder. Simpson has produced and recorded two albums which have garnered positive reviews and received radio airplay throughout the US and Europe. He is currently in the studio preparing new songs for his forthcoming album. His music is available on iTunes and CD Baby. Visit www.JakeSimpsonMusic.com.

The Sierra Ballroom at the Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City is a 16,000-square-foot space that boasts a 24-foot ceiling, a dance floor, and superior sound. Some of the ongoing events in the ballroom include annual gatherings by Actors & Others for Animals, The Movie Guide Awards, The Radio & Television News Association of Southern California, and The National Academy of Television.

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Chris Isaacson Presents has created, produced, and promoted over 600 events since the company's founding in 2004. From small clubs to major theatres CIP has presented some of the most influential stars of this generation including Adam Lambert, Lea Michele, Neil Patrick Harris, Jennifer Holliday, Molly Ringwald, Megan Hilty, Erich Bergen, Andy Grammer, Natasha Bedingfield, Taylor Dayne, and Grammy Award-winners Paula Cole, Richard Marx, Sergio Mendes, and more. CIP's concerts have been featured on Access Hollywood, Extra, KABC's On The Red Carpet, KTLA Morning News, and in the Los Angeles Times and New York Post.

Tickets are on sale now. Prices range from \$87—\$325 as follows:

- \$325—VIP TICKET 7pm arrival. Includes Premium Ticket Package *(see below)* plus artist meet & greet and commemorative photo.
- **\$250—PREMIUM TICKET 8pm arrival.** Includes pre-show entertainment, New Year's concert, four course dinner, wine pairing with appetizer and entree, dessert and coffee, champagne toast and party favors.
- **\$125—MAIN TICKET 9pm arrival.** Includes New Year's Concert, reserved round table seating with champagne toast and party favors. (*Dinner not included.*)
- **\$87—GENERAL TICKET 9:30pm arrival.** Includes New Year's Concert, champagne toast and party favors. (*Dinner not included.*)

ALSO AVAILABLE — EXCLUSIVE RESERVED TABLE for up to 10 people — (\$1750) — 9pm arrival. Includes New Year's concert, bottle service (choice of Premium Vodka, Tequila, or Scotch), champagne toast, and party favors. (Dinner not included.)

Purchase online at <u>www.TicketWeb.com</u> and <u>www.ChrisIsaacsonPresents.com</u>, or via phone at (866) 468-3399. Semi-formal to formal attire is recommended.

For guest room reservations at the Hilton Los Angeles/Univeral City for New Year's Eve, call (818) 506-2500, ext. 1. Use code NYEPR.

The Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City is located at 555 Universal Hollywood Drive in Universal City. Valet and self parking will be available.

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