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## TWO NEW SHOWS ANNOUNCED FOR SYMPHONY HALL THIS FALL

**VIOLENT FEMMES WITH THE ASO — OCTOBER 6**  
**LESLIE ODOM, JR. — DECEMBER 13**

**ATLANTA** – This week, Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE announced two new exciting shows coming this fall. On **Sunday, October 6**, 99X presents the **Violent Femmes** headed to Symphony Hall to perform their debut album alongside the **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (ASO)**. Plus, the Tony and Grammy award-winning artist **Leslie Odom, Jr.** returns to Atlanta Symphony Hall on **Friday, December 13 for The Christmas Tour**, which will feature holiday classics sure to bring musical cheer to Atlanta. Tickets for both shows go on sale **this Friday, May 17 at 10am at [ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com)**. **For tickets and further information visit [aso.org/live](https://aso.org/live)**.

### About Violent Femmes

Violent Femmes formed in 1981 as an acoustic punk band playing on the streets of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Their goal was to rock harder than any other acoustic act on the planet. After being rejected for an audition by a local nightclub, the Femmes set up outside a Pretenders gig and began to play. Pretenders' lead singer Chrissie Hynde asked them to open that night's show, which gave the young band a publicity boost and caught the attention of Richard Hell, who invited the Femmes to open for him in NYC. A rave review in the New York Times led to a record deal, which spawned worldwide touring.

More than 40 years into their careers, Violent Femmes continue to attract young audiences on tour, create lasting music and inspire people of all ages.

**Violent Femmes: Live with the ASO is presented by 99X, conducted by Christopher Dragon, and will be performed at Atlanta Symphony Hall on Sunday, October 6 at 7:30PM.**

### About Leslie Odom, Jr.

Leslie Odom, Jr. is a multifaceted Tony and Grammy Award-winning, three-time Emmy and two-time Academy Award-nominated vocalist, songwriter, actor, and New York Times bestselling author. With a career that spans all performance genres, Odom has received recognition for his excellence and achievements in Broadway, television, film, and music.

Odom is a BMG recording artist and has released five full-length albums. Released in November 2023, Odom's fifth full-length album and his first of all-new original music since 2019, *When A Crooner Dies*, features a collection of 10 newly penned, original tracks that mark his most personal body of music to date.

**Leslie Odom, Jr.: The Christmas Tour is presented by Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE and will be performed at Symphony Hall on Friday, December 13 at 8:00PM.**

### About Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE

Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE concerts feature world-renowned musicians and entertainers, several of which will be joined on-stage by the GRAMMY® award-winning, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. Highlighting genres across the entertainment gamut, guests can enjoy concerts and events ranging from pop, rock, country, R&B, jazz, comedy, podcasts, book tours and everything in between. Symphony Hall continues to present a diverse array of artists throughout the year, bringing unique visual and audial experiences to the Atlanta community through the magic of live performances.

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