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ATLANTA SYMPHONY HALL WELCOMES TWO NEWLY ANNOUNCED SHOWS RICK SPRINGFIELD & RICHARD MARX — FEBRUARY 17, 2025 ANGELIQUE KIDJO — MARCH 30, 2025

ATLANTA – This week, Delta Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE announced new shows with incredible acts that are headed for Symphony Hall in 2025. On **February 17, Rick Springfield and Richard Marx** return to **Atlanta to share the stage for an acoustic evening of hits**. On **March 30**, the Grammy award-winning artist, **Angelique Kidjo**, brings her **African Symphony** to life with the Atlanta Pops Orchestra. Tickets for these shows go on sale **Friday, October 4 at 10am at [ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com)**. For tickets and further information visit aso.org/live.

About Rick Springfield & Richard Marx

Over the past four decades, Rick Springfield has worn many hats as an entertainer and performer. The creator of some of the finest power-pop of the '80s, a Grammy winning singer, songwriter, and musician who has sold 25 million albums and scored 17 U.S. Top 40 hits, including "Jessie's Girl," "Don't Talk to Strangers," "An Affair of the Heart," "I've Done Everything for You," "Love Somebody," and "Human Touch." He's an accomplished actor who has starred opposite Meryl Streep in the feature film "Ricki and the Flash," gave a chameleonic performance as the creepy Dr. Irving Pitlor in HBO's prestige drama "True Detective," earned great reviews for his portrayal of Lucifer on the CW hit "Supernatural" and most recently played the insane Pastor Charles on FX's worldwide hit series "American Horror Story." An author as well, both his candid 2010 memoir *Late, Late at Night* (which Rolling Stone named one of the 25 greatest rock memoirs of all time) and his 2014 comedic novel *Magnificent Vibration* earned rave reviews and spots on the New York Times Best Sellers' list. In 2014, Springfield was honored with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, located around the corner from the first apartment he lived in when he first arrived in the U.S. from Australia in 1971. Springfield's Sirius-XM radio show, *Working Class DJ*, is a huge hit and airs weekly on 80s on 8. His new album *Automatic* is out now. *Automatic* is his first album of all new original material in 5 years.

2022 marks Richard Marx's thirty-fifth year as a recording artist, and his thirty-eighth as a professional songwriter. 1984's "What About Me," released as a trio by Kenny Rogers, Kim Carnes and James Ingram was co-written by Richard and became not only his first song recorded by an artist, but his first number one as a writer. On September 30th, Marx will release his unique and ambitious new album, simply and appropriately titled *Songwriter*.

Songwriter contains twenty tracks crossing four different musical genres. Five pop songs, five rock songs, five country songs and five beautiful ballads. "I've had such an amazing opportunity in my songwriting career to write all kinds of songs with, and for, all kinds of artists," says Richard. "It finally occurred to me that there was no reason not to record an album of my own that touches on multiple genres I love."

Rick Springfield & Richard Marx is presented by Delta Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE and Zero Mile Presents and will take place at Atlanta Symphony Hall on February 17, 2025, at 8:00PM.

About Angelique Kidjo's African Symphony

Embark on a captivating musical journey with the legendary five-time Grammy award winner, Angelique Kidjo, as she unveils her latest symphonic project, *African Symphony*. Kidjo collaborates with acclaimed arranger Derrick Hodge (Robert Glasper, Common, Jill Scott) to present a unique symphonic show that pays homage to the rich tapestry of African musical heritage.

African Symphony showcases a collection of timeless songs that have not only resonated across the African continent but have also left an indelible mark on the global stage. From the iconic sounds of legends such as Miriam Makeba, Fela Kuti, and Youssou N'Dour to the contemporary brilliance of artists like Rema and Burna Boy, this symphonic project celebrates the profound impact of African music on the world.

Angelique Kidjo, a beacon of African musical excellence, curates an extraordinary program that includes her own influential songs, which have inspired the current generation of African musicians. *African Symphony* is where the past, present, and future of African music converge in a breathtaking symphonic experience.

Angelique Kidjo's African Symphony with the Atlanta Pops Orchestra is presented by Delta Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE and will take place at Atlanta Symphony Hall on March 30, 2025, at 7:00PM.

About Delta Atlanta Symphony Hall LIVE

Delta 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 auidial experiences to the Atlanta community through the magic of live performances.

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