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Mahaiwe Presents Ramblin' Jack Elliott

Great Barrington, Mass.— Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center will present two-time Grammy Award winner Ramblin' Jack Elliott on Friday, October 14 at 8:00pm. “Ramblin' Jack's folk songs are timeless, and had a tremendous influence on other folk and rock legends,” said Mahaiwe Executive Director Beryl Jolly. “We are proud to welcome this masterful musician and storyteller to Great Barrington.”

With over 40 albums under his belt, Ramblin' Jack Elliott is considered one of the country's legendary foundations of folk music. He ran away from his Brooklyn home at 14 to join the rodeo and learned how to play guitar from a cowboy. In 1950, he met Woody Guthrie, moved in with the Guthrie family, and traveled with Woody to California and Florida, from the redwood forests to the Gulf Stream waters.

In 1955, Elliott traveled to Europe, bringing his genuine American folk, cowboy, and blues repertoire, inspiring a new generation of budding British rockers, among them Mick Jagger and Eric Clapton. When he returned to the United States in 1961, he met another young folksinger, Bob Dylan, at Woody Guthrie's bedside, and mentored the young Bob. At age 85, he is still on the road, bringing his songs and stories to new generations.

In February of 2016, Folk Alliance honored Ramblin' Jack Elliott with a Lifetime Achievement Award. The National Medal of Arts Award winner was also recently honored at the Woody Guthrie Center with an enshrined seat among others who

surrounded Woody throughout his life and have kept alive his music, words, and heart.

“Between Ramblin’ Jack’s concert and Arlo Guthrie’s upcoming show on October 30, the Mahaiwe is a folk music lover’s mecca this fall,” said Jolly.

Tickets

Tickets are \$25 to \$50. In addition, a limited number of \$15 tickets are available for audience members ages 30 and younger to the regular performances through the Mahaiwe ArtSmart Tix program. The Mahaiwe is located at 14 Castle Street in Great Barrington, Massachusetts. Box office hours are Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 6:00pm and three hours before show times. For tickets and information, see www.mahaiwe.org.

About the Mahaiwe

Located in downtown Great Barrington, Massachusetts, the Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center is the year-round presenter of world-class music, dance, theater, classic films, Live in HD broadcasts, and arts education programs for the southern Berkshires and neighboring regions. The intimate jewel box of a theater opened in 1905. Since 2005, the performing arts center has hosted over 1,000 events and welcomed almost half a million people through its doors. The Mahaiwe has now welcomed over 15,000 students from 55 different schools for its school-time performances and residencies.