Mahaiwe Presents the Chick Corea Trio

Great Barrington, Mass.—Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center presents Chick Corea on Sunday, April 14 at 7:00pm. The 22-time Grammy-winning pianist’s newest trio features a stellar rhythm tandem: bassist John Patitucci and drummer Brian Blade.

Tickets are $41 to $121.

“The Mahaiwe has presented a legion of amazing jazz artists during our first 14 years, but we had not yet brought the iconic Chick Corea to our stage,” says Executive Director Beryl Jolly. “I’m thrilled that the opportunity arose for us to bring the Chick Corea Trio to Great Barrington this spring.”

Keyboardist, composer, and bandleader Chick Corea is a DownBeat Hall of Famer and NEA Jazz Master, as well as the fourth-most nominated artist in Grammy Awards history with 63 nominations—and 22 wins, in addition to a number of Latin Grammys. From straight-ahead to avant-garde, bebop to jazz-rock fusion, children’s songs to chamber and symphonic works, Corea has touched an astonishing number of musical bases in his career since playing with the genre-shattering bands of Miles Davis in the late ’60s and early ’70s. Yet he has never been more productive than in the 21st century, whether playing acoustic piano or electric keyboards, leading multiple bands, performing solo, or collaborating with a who’s who of music. Underscoring this, he has been named Artist of the Year three times this decade in the DownBeat Readers Poll. Born in 1941 in Massachusetts, he remains a tireless creative spirit, continually reinventing himself through his art.
John Patitucci was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1959 and began playing the electric bass at age ten. Since 1985, his association with Chick Corea has brought him worldwide acclaim and put him at the forefront of the jazz world. As a studio musician, he has also played on countless albums with artists ranging from Bonnie Raitt and Wayne Shorter to Bon Jovi and Queen Latifah.

A native of Shreveport, Louisiana, Brian Blade established himself as a versatile, accomplished drummer early in his career. In addition to performing with his own group, the Brian Blade Fellowship, he is an always an in-demand sideman and collaborator, working with Chick Corea, Wayne Shorter, Herbie Hancock, Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell, Nora Jones, Joshua Redman, and more.

The Mahaiwe is located at 14 Castle Street in Great Barrington, Massachusetts. Box office hours are Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 4:00pm and three hours before show times. For tickets and information, see www.mahaiwe.org or call 413.528.0100.

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 1,500 events and welcomed over half a million people through its doors. More than 22,000 students from 73 different schools have benefited from the Mahaiwe’s school-time performances and residencies. For more information, see www.mahaiwe.org.

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