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Mahaiwe June Events
Highlights include Todd Rundgren and Southside Johnny and The Asbury Jukes

Great Barrington, Mass.—The Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center will present concerts by Todd Rundgren and Southside Johnny and The Asbury Jukes in June, as well as a London’s National Theatre in HD broadcast of Small Island and a screening of the film Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind.

“Our June events highlight the variety of the Mahaiwe season,” says Mahaiwe Executive Director Beryl Jolly. “Veteran rockers Todd Rundgren and Southside Johnny and The Asbury Jukes will make their debuts at the theater, while we bring stirring drama direct from London to downtown Great Barrington and offer a cult classic for the Mahaiwe Movie of the Month.”

Songwriter, video pioneer, producer, recording artist, computer software developer, conceptualist, and interactive artist Todd Rundgren will bring his unique tour, The Individualist, to the Mahaiwe on Sunday, June 9 at 7:00pm. The performance will center on the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame nominee’s recent autobiography, The Individualist: Digressions, Dreams and Dissertations, in which he reflects on both his career and his rollercoaster of a personal life. The memoir is structured into bite-sized three-paragraph chapters about Rundgren’s encounters with rock royalty, including Janis Joplin, Brian Wilson, Ringo Star, Patti Smith, the New York Dolls, Meat Loaf, and many more. The evening’s setlist will mirror the timeframe captured in the book, which runs through 1996. Tickets are $40 to $85.
The Mahaiwe will screen *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* (2004, rated R) on Saturday, June 15 at 7:00pm. Michel Gondry’s film about a jaded couple who pursue a procedure to erase each other from their memories employs elements of sci-fi, romantic comedy, and drama. It won the Best Original Screenplay Oscar for Charlie Kaufman’s innovative script. The ensemble cast features Jim Carrey, Kate Winslet, Kirsten Dunst, Mark Ruffalo, Elijah Wood, and Tom Wilkinson. The Mahaiwe partners with Only in My Dreams Events to enrich each Mahaiwe Movie of the Month with a movie-themed treat. Sponsored by Buchwald, tickets (general admission) are $8 for adults. $10 movie-and-a-drink tickets are also available, which include a beer, glass of wine, or soda at Number Ten restaurant next door to the theater the evening of the screening.

Southside Johnny and The Asbury Jukes will rock the house on Saturday, June 29 at 8:00pm. The band emerged from the New Jersey shore scene in 1974, carrying over a significant influence (and some key personnel) from Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band. Organized by singer John Lyon, the band is well known for high-energy shows and no-holds-barred songs, including “Don't Wanna Go Home,” “Havin’ a Party,” “The Fever,” “Talk to Me,” “Trapped Again,” and “This Time It’s For Real.” Still tinged with the exuberant rhythm and blues feel that is the Jukes’ trademark, and loaded with the driving sound of the legendary Jukes horn section, Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes continue to expound their signature Jersey Shore sound—all for the sheer joy of it. The concert is sponsored by Barrington Brewery. Tickets are $35 to $70.

The Mahaiwe will broadcast London’s National Theatre in HD production of *Small Island* on Sunday, June 30 at 2:00pm. Andrea Levy’s Orange Prize-winning novel *Small Island* comes to life in an epic new theatre adaptation. *Small Island* embarks on a journey from Jamaica to Britain, through the Second World War to 1948—the year the HMT Empire Windrush docked at Tilbury. The play follows three intricately connected stories. Hortense yearns for a new life away from rural Jamaica, Gilbert dreams of becoming a lawyer, and Queenie longs to escape her Lincolnshire roots. Hope and humanity meet stubborn reality as the play traces the tangled history of Jamaica and the UK. A company
of 40 actors take to the stage of the National Theatre in this timely and moving story. Tickets are $17/ $10 for everyone 21 and under.

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 20,000 students from 68 different schools have benefited from the Mahaiwe’s school-time performances and residencies. For more information, see www.mahaiwe.org.

About the Berkshires
Less than three hours from New York City and Boston, the Berkshires offers culture and adventure year-round. The surrounding mountains provide plenty of opportunity for outdoor excursions in all seasons while world class culture and entertainment, along with a deeply rooted food culture and an array of lodging options amidst picturesque towns, set this region apart. For more information, visit berkshires.org.

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