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MSG Entertainment Announces Top Entertainers and Sports Icons to Serve as On-Stage Presenters for Garden of Laughs Comedy Benefit

WILL ARNETT, DOMINIC CHIANESE, CHAD COLEMAN, GERRY COONEY,
VICTOR CRUZ, MICHAEL J. FOX, GLENN FREY, ROD GILBERT,
WHOOPI GOLDBERG, ADAM GRAVES, ADAM HOROVITZ, LARRY JOHNSON,
DARRYL MCDANIELS, THEO ROSSI AND TONY SIRICO
TO PARTICIPATE IN NIGHT OF COMEDY TO BENEFIT
THE GARDEN OF DREAMS FOUNDATION

Comedic Performers Include Lewis Black, Bill Burr, Dane Cook, Billy Gardell,
John Oliver and J.B. Smoove
With Special Guest Host Steve Schirripa
Saturday, March 28 at The Theater at Madison Square Garden

NEW YORK, March 24, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MSG Entertainment and the Garden of Dreams Foundation announced today that various film, television, music and sports stars will serve as presenters at the sold-out *Garden of Laughs* comedy benefit at the Theater at Madison Square Garden on Saturday, March 28, 2015. Actor and comedian **Will Arnett**; *The Walking Dead* actor **Chad Coleman**; boxing legend **Gerry Cooney**; New York Giants Wide Receiver and Super Bowl Champion **Victor Cruz**; actor **Michael J. Fox**; musician **Glenn Frey**; Rangers legends **Rod Gilbert** and **Adam Graves**; actress, comedienne, host of *The View* and Garden of Dreams Foundation board member **Whoopi Goldberg**; musician **Adam Horovitz**; Knicks legend **Larry Johnson**; hip hop pioneer, Rock & Roll Hall of Famer and Garden of Dreams Foundation board member **Darryl "DMC" McDaniels**; *Sons of Anarchy* actor **Theo Rossi**; and cast members from the Emmy Award-winning series *The Sopranos*, including **Dominic Chianese** and **Tony Sirico**, will serve as on-stage presenters for *Garden of Laughs*, a comedy event to benefit the Garden of Dreams Foundation.



"We are looking forward to another extraordinary night of comedy to benefit the Garden of Dreams Foundation, which will enable the Foundation to provide invaluable resources for their partner organizations and the children they serve," said Rory Rosegarten, executive producer, *Garden of Laughs*. "We are grateful to all of the celebrities who have generously donated their time and their talent in support of the Garden of Dreams Foundation."

Garden of Laughs, Executive Produced by Emmy Award-winner Rory Rosegarten, and with special guest host Steve Schirripa, will feature stand-up performances by some of the biggest names in comedy including Lewis Black, Bill Burr, Dane Cook, Billy Gardell, John Oliver and J.B. Smoove. The evening will benefit the Garden of Dreams Foundation, which works with all areas of The Madison Square Garden Company - including the Knicks, Rangers, Liberty, MSG Entertainment, and MSG Networks - to brighten the lives of children facing obstacles.

Tickets to *Garden of Laughs* are sold out, but once-in-a-lifetime experiences are being auctioned off through Charity Buzz to raise even more money for the Foundation's efforts to make dreams come true for children in need. One experience includes two VIP tickets to *Garden of Laughs*, with access to an exclusive celebrity reception and a special meet and greet with Steve Schirripa, Billy Gardell, John Oliver and J.B. Smoove. Other packages include the opportunity to sit in-studio and watch The Howard Stern Show live; being treated to a full red carpet experience at the Tribeca Film Festival, including the chance to meet the one and only Robert De Niro; the opportunity to perfect your backhand with a one-hour lesson from tennis legend John McEnroe; the chance for you and three friends to dine at the famed - and very exclusive - Italian eatery, Rao's; and tickets to Saturday Night Live, as well as to several of this year's hottest concerts. All net proceeds raised will help support the Garden of Dreams Foundation. Check out all of the *Garden of Laughs* experiences at CharityBuzz.com/GardenofLaughs.

Over the last nine years, Garden of Dreams has brought joy and happiness to more than 250,000 children and their families. The Foundation works with 25 partner organizations throughout the tri-state area - including hospitals, wish organizations and community-based organizations - to reach children who are facing challenges such as homelessness, extreme poverty, illness and foster care. Driven by its commitment to truly change lives, Garden of Dreams conducts more than 500 events each year.

Through its Garden of Dreams Giving program, the foundation also provides resources to its partner organizations to help them meet critical needs in their service to children. This includes direct support of scholarships and tangible, targeted community projects such as hospital refurbishments and community center refurbishments.

The Garden of Dreams Foundation

The Garden of Dreams Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity that works with The Madison Square Garden Company (MSG) to positively impact the lives of children facing obstacles. Through ongoing programs that use the magic of MSG - including the Knicks, the Rangers, the Liberty, MSG Entertainment and MSG Networks - the Foundation develops strong, long-term relationships that truly change lives. Since its inception in September 2006, Garden of Dreams has created thousands of once-in-a-lifetime experiences that have brought joy and happiness to more than 250,000 children and their families, including those facing homelessness, extreme poverty, illness and foster care. For more information, visit www.GardenofDreamsFoundation.org

The Garden of Laughs logo is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=16442>

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