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## **CHICAGO RETURNS TO BETHEL WOODS WITH THE DOOBIE BROTHERS**

*Tickets Still Available*

BETHEL, NY (June 23, 2008) – Two of America's longest running and most respected classic rock bands Chicago and The Doobie Brothers join forces for a 2008 summer tour including a stop at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts on Sunday, June 29.

In 40 years, Chicago has done it all -- five consecutive #1 albums, 13 platinum albums, 21 Top 10 singles, a Grammy and a star on the Hollywood Walk Of Fame. Formed in their namesake city in 1967, the band integrated all the musical diversity from their beloved city and wove a new sound, a rock 'n' roll band with horns. Chicago's music mixed rock, pop, and jazz in a completely new way. In a career both influential and extensive, Chicago has sold more than 100 million records and continues to tour every year to standing room only audiences.

The Multi-platinum, Grammy-award winning Doobie Brothers are most often defined as a music group known for blues based songs with a rock edge and lush vocal harmonies. This legendary rock band, origins circa 1970, enjoys a reputation for exciting live performances and skillful musicianship and brings to the stage such classics as the bluesy rock of "Long Train Runnin'", the country tinged "Black Water" and the gospel/jazz rooted "Takin' It To The Streets". The Doobie Brothers live lineup is Guy Allison - Keyboards/Vocals, Michael Hossack - Drums, Tom Johnston - Vocals/Guitar, John McFee - Guitar/Strings/Vocals, Marc Russo - Saxophones, Pat Simmons - Vocals/Guitar, Skylark - Bass/Vocals, Ed Toth - Drums

Situated at the site of the original 1969 Woodstock festival in Bethel, New York, The Bethel Woods Center for the Arts is entering its third exciting concert season at the 15,000 seat Pavilion Stage; and The Museum at Bethel Woods, which explores the legacy of the Sixties and Woodstock, will open in June. Concert-goers will have the opportunity to purchase admission to The Museum in addition to their concert tickets, allowing them to enjoy all that Bethel Woods Center for the Arts has to offer.

Good seats are still available. Tickets are on sale now. Reserved ticket prices are \$79.00, \$69.00, \$49.00, \$39.00 and \$25.00 for lawn. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. for a 7:30 p.m. performance. Parking is free.

For a complete list of events or to learn about becoming a Friend of Bethel Woods and the exclusive benefits associated with membership, please visit [www.BethelWoodsCenter.org](http://www.BethelWoodsCenter.org).

### **About Bethel Woods Center for the Arts:**

The mission of Bethel Woods Center for the Arts is to present compelling programs from the arts that educate, entertain and engage audiences of all ages, to institute community outreach and education and improve the quality of life and vitality of the Sullivan County region. Bethel Woods Center for the Arts is located approximately 90 minutes from New York City at the site of the original 1969 Woodstock festival in Bethel, NY. The 15,000-seat outdoor performing arts venue and the soon-to-be-opened Museum at Bethel Woods are set within 2,000 bucolic acres. The main pavilion covers 4,500 seats with another 10,500 on a natural sloping lawn while offering unique backdrops including the original festival site and the majesty of the surrounding Sullivan County countryside. The venue presents a diverse selection of popular artists, a range of orchestral performances, community events and music and arts educational opportunities. By providing artists with the opportunity to perform on one of music's most legendary grounds, Bethel Woods Center for the Arts is committed to being a world-class cultural destination. In addition, The Museum at Bethel Woods slated to open in June 2008 will further embed this arts campus as one of the premier sites in New York State.

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