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HOT TUNA RETURNS TO THE EVENT GALLERY AT BETHEL WOODS

Sunday, September 30th in the Event Gallery

BETHEL, NY (February 22, 2018) – Woodstock festival alumni, Rock & Roll Hall of Famers, and Jefferson Airplane founding members, **Jack Casady** and **Jorma Kaukonen**, return as **Hot Tuna** to the intimate, indoor **Event Gallery at Bethel Woods on Sunday, September 30th at 8:00 p.m.** Tickets for reserved seating go on-sale Friday, March 2 at 10:00 a.m. at www.BethelWoodsCenter.Org, Ticketmaster or by phone at 1.800.745.3000.

Described by *Rolling Stone* as “a Psychedelic-Blues institution,” Hot Tuna, Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Casady, perform with a well-honed and solid power – always in the groove from their years of experience and mutual inspiration. Started as a side project during Jefferson Airplane days, the constant, the very definition of Hot Tuna, has always been Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Casady. The two boyhood pals have never wavered in one of the most enduring friendships in Rock history.

From their days playing together as teenagers in the Washington, D.C. area, through years of inventive Psychedelic rock in San Francisco (1996 *Rock and Roll Hall of Fame* Inductees), to their current acoustic and electric blues sound, no one has more consistently led American music for the last 50 years than Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Casady, the founders and continuing core members of Hot Tuna. At the 2016 Grammys, Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Casady were honored with Lifetime Achievement Awards.

Guitarist and vocalist, Jorma Kaukonen is a highly respected interpreter of roots music, blues, Americana, and popular rock-and-roll. Jorma’s repertoire goes far beyond psychedelic rock; he is a music legend and one of the finest singer-songwriters in music. Jorma tours the world bringing his unique styling to old blues while writing new songs of weight and dimension.

One of the most unique innovators in the sixty-year history of the bass guitar, Jack Casady made his sweeping melodic mark helping to create the “San Francisco Sound” with legendary rock group Jefferson Airplane. Jack went on to track with Jimi Hendrix, Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young, Warren Zevon, members of the Grateful Dead, John Lee Hooker, and Gov’t Mule. Casady, regarded as one of rock’s greatest bassists, is certainly one of its most original.

A special presale for Bethel Woods Members begins Tuesday, February 27th at 10 a.m. To learn more about additional member benefits and pre-sale access, visit <http://www.bethelwoodscenter.org/supportthearts/membership-opportunities>.

The Museum at Bethel Woods is half-priced, three hours before show time every evening Pavilion or Event Gallery concert day. Valid concert ticket required for this special offer. To learn more visit <http://www.bethelwoodscenter.org/the-museum>.

For more information about Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, please visit www.BethelWoodsCenter.org. Be sure to download the Bethel Woods App for up-to-date information and special pre-sale codes.

The 2018 Event Gallery Concert Series is sponsored by Jim Beam.

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About Bethel Woods Center for the Arts

Bethel Woods Center for the Arts inspires, educates, and empowers individuals through the arts and humanities by presenting a diverse selection of culturally-rich performances, popular artists, and community and educational programming. Located 90 miles from New York City at the site of the 1969 Woodstock festival in Bethel, NY, the lush 800-acre campus includes a Pavilion Stage amphitheater with seating for 15,000, an intimate 440-seat indoor Event Gallery, the award-winning Museum at Bethel Woods, and a Conservatory for arts education programming.

Through the in-depth study and exhibition of the social, political, and cultural events of the 1960s, as well as the preservation of the historic site of the Woodstock Music and Art Fair, Bethel Woods educates individuals about the issues and lessons of the decade while inspiring a new generation to contribute positively to the world around them. The not-for-profit organization relies on the generous support of individuals, corporations, and foundations to develop and sustain programs that improve the quality of life in the region and beyond.

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