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BETHEL WOODS CENTER FOR THE ARTS CELEBRATES WOODSTOCK'S 49TH ANNIVERSARY

Anniversary Brunch Planned to Remember the Past as Guests Enjoy the Present

BETHEL, NY (July 23, 2018) – **Bethel Woods Center for the Arts**, located at the historic site of the **1969 Woodstock festival**, cordially invites you to take part in a special anniversary brunch to commemorate the *almost*-golden anniversary of the festival, which occurred in Bethel, New York in August 49 years ago.

Unlike the attendees of Woodstock '69, guests will not have to worry about inclement weather or rain spoiling their day, as the full brunch (no food shortage here!) will be in the center's open-air Market Sheds on August 18. Offerings will take place during two seatings: the first at 11:00 AM and the second at 1:00 PM. In true Woodstock fashion, we remember Wavy Gravy's words to the crowd of half-a-million: "...it's gonna be good food and we're going to get [breakfast] to you. We're all feedin' each other."

The \$35.00 event ticket includes a buffet-style brunch, two complimentary mimosas, admission to **The Museum at Bethel Woods**, and a gift bag. It is our hope that guests will meet with old friends or become better acquainted with the person who sits beside them while sharing and listening to stories from the famous weekend.

Bethel Woods remains committed to perpetuating the legacy of the Woodstock festival by preserving its history and illustrating the lasting power of music and the arts. This is evident through expansive, engaging and varied programming. This summer a plethora of creative programs, provide art lovers of all ages the opportunity to engage in conversation with fellow enthusiasts and develop new skills. **Peace, Love, Arts, & You** gives students of music and theater the opportunity to express themselves in the given mediums culminating in final performances for the whole community to enjoy. Workshops provide the opportunity to learn something new and mingle with peers - on the horizon is a Slow Food cooking demonstration and tasting, a silkscreen workshop, and a stargazing party.

Bethel Woods Center for the Arts is also pleased to offer a limited time opportunity for patrons from around the world to make their own mark on history through an **Anniversary Pavers Program**. Each 4"x8" commemorative brick paver is etched with a personal message, stamped with an exclusive 50th anniversary insignia and will then be incorporated into the classic design of the venue entrance pathway. Individually, the pavers are a unique way to celebrate a loved one; together, they exemplify the arts' ability to unify the masses. To learn more or purchase a paver visit

bethelwoodscenter.org/paver.

Gifts will directly help the cultural center achieve important plans for the benefit of future generations. As stewards of a distinctive heritage site, future plans include the opening up of a newly restored trail systems in the Bindy Bazaar Woodland, restoration of the Woodstock stage area and the creation of a scenic interpretative outlook at the top of the field.

For more information about Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, all upcoming events, or to purchase tickets, please visit: www.BethelWoodsCenter.org.

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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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