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## Lobero LIVE presents

# An Evening with The Robert Cray Band

# Saturday, July 29, 2023 at 7:30 PM

Santa Barbara, CA, June 28, 2023 – Lobero LIVE presents **An Evening with The Robert Cray Band on Saturday, July 29, 2023 at 7:30 PM**. Five-time GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> Award-winner Robert Cray is one of the most commercially and critically successful blues artists of his generation. Over the past four decades, the Blues Hall of Famer has created a sound that rises from American roots, blues, soul, and R&B, and arrives today both fresh and familiar. The Robert Cray Band features Cray (guitar/vocals), Richard Cousins (bass), Dover Weinberg (keyboards), and Les Falconer (drums).

#### "Robert Cray is not only making music, he's making history." - Guitar Player Magazine

The band has recorded 20 acclaimed studio and live albums, playing concert halls, festivals, and arenas around the world. Their latest album, *That's What I Heard*, was released in February 2020. The GRAMMY® nominated LP, produced by longtime collaborator, Steve Jordan, celebrates the music of Curtis Mayfield, Bobby "Blue" Bland, The Sensational Nightingales and more, alongside Cray's own songs. *The Associated Press* wrote "Robert Cray and Steve Jordan continue their fruitful partnership on *That's What I Heard*, a collection where the guitarist and singer's original songs blend seamlessly with a strong set of less-than-famous covers."

Cray and Jordan go way back, having met during the making of the Chuck Berry documentary *Hail! Hail! Rock 'n' Roll*, in 1987. They started working together in 1999, when Jordan produced the GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> winning *Take Your Shoes Off*, and the recent GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> nominated LP, *Robert Cray & Hi Rhythm*. *That's What I Heard* is their sixth album. Cray, who started The Robert Cray Band in 1974, has been touring ever since, sometimes with 120 performances a year. When you hear a musician like Cray, you enter his world. His voice is haunting, heart-felt, and resonant – a sound that echoes inside.

**Tickets for** <u>The Robert Cray Band</u> are on sale now at <u>Lobero.org</u> and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. VIP tickets are \$106 (includes premier seating and a pre-show reception with drinks and hors d'oeuvres), Section A tickets are \$65, and Section B tickets are \$55. *Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero <u>Facility Fee</u>; other <u>fees</u> may also apply.* 

#### UPCOMING LOBERO LIVE EVENTS:

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero LIVE present **An Evening with Graham Nash on Saturday, July 15, at 7:30 PM and Sunday, July 16, 2023 at 7:00 PM.** As a founding member of both the Hollies and Crosby, Stills and Nash, the legendary artist has seen rock history unfold at some of its seminal moments. The extraordinary GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> Award-winning renaissance artist is a two-time Rock 'N Roll Hall of Fame inductee and was inducted twice into the Songwriters Hall of Fame – for his work with CSN and his work as a solo artist. Nash will be joined on stage by his longtime musical partners,

Shane Fontayne (guitar and vocals) and Todd Caldwell (keyboards and vocals), performing favorites from across his sixtyyear career. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/graham-nash/</u>

Lobero LIVE presents **The Jerry Douglas Band, July 20, 2023 at 7:30 PM**. The band, led by 14-time GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> Award winner Jerry Douglas, has been forging new paths into the musical horizon since 2017, with deep roots in bluegrass and folk that spreads out into the Americana and jazz landscapes. They perform at some of the top U.S. festivals, such as Telluride Bluegrass Festival, Pilgrimage Music Festival, Big Ears Festival, and numerous others. In addition to Douglas, band members include Daniel Kimbro (bass), Christian Sedelmyer (fiddle), and Mike Seal (guitar). <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/jerry-douglas-band-2/</u>

Lobero LIVE presents **An Evening with Cowboy Junkies on Friday, July 21, 2023 at 7:30 PM**. One of the most enduring bands in alternative rock, the Canadian band has managed to maintain a creative vision that's served them sublimely. Established in the mid-80s, their unique sound earned them both critical attention and a cult following. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/an-evening-with-the-cowboy-junkies/</u>

#### August 2023

Celebrating the Lobero's historic 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, EARL MINNIS PRESENTS the **Patti Smith Trio on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 8 PM**. This remarkable fundraising concert benefits the Lobero Theatre, Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA), Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation, and Bob Dylan Center. Smith – the punk poet laureate who ranks among the most provocative, influential rock & rollers of all time – was named a Commander of the *Ordre des Arts et des Lettres* by the French Ministry of Culture, inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, received a Polar Music Prize, and was included in *Rolling Stone* magazine's 100 Greatest Artists of All Time. https://www.lobero.org/events/patti-smith-trio/

Lobero LIVE presents **Tab Benoit with special guest The Rumble featuring Chief Joseph Boudreaux Jr. on Saturday, August 19, 2023 at 7:30 PM.** The GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> nominated singer, songwriter, and guitarist has built a remarkable 30+ year career on the foundation of his gritty and soulful Delta swamp blues, acquiring a devoted legion of fans along the way. The artist has also won 5 Blues Music Awards, including BB King Entertainer of the Year (twice), and an induction into The Louisiana Music Hall of Fame. Special guest The Rumble featuring Chief Joseph Boudreaux Jr. opens the show. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/tab-benoit-2/</u>

Lobero LIVE presents **Yesterday – A Tribute to The Beatles on Saturday, August 26, 2023 at 7:30 PM.** The show has been performing the Beatles since 2001 and tours not only in the U.S., but also internationally. Endorsed by Sir Paul McCartney himself, it has been featured in Rolling Stone Magazine, Showbiz Magazine, on NBC, CBS, ABC, and is now celebrating the Beatles 60th U.S. Anniversary. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/yesterday/</u>

#### September 2023

Lobero LIVE presents **Keb' Mo' on Friday, September 22, 2023 at 7:30 PM.** With five GRAMMYS<sup>®</sup>, 14 Blues Foundation Awards, and a groundbreaking career spanning nearly 50 years under his belt, Keb' Mo' stands as one of the most accomplished and respected artists working in contemporary roots music today. His newest album, *Good To Be*, weaves together the sounds of his childhood in Compton with the influences of his adopted hometown of Nashville, drawing on country, soul, and blues to craft a heartwarming tapestry that transcends genre and geography as it celebrates the power of love and resilience, growth and gratitude, hope and memory. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/keb-mo/</u>

Lobero LIVE presents **Roger Clyne and the Peacemakers and Dave Hause & the Mermaid on Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 7 PM**. The Southwestern **pop-tinged Americana** supergroup features Roger Clyne, P.H. Naffah, Nick Scropos, and Jim Dalton. Dave Hause & The Mermaid combines Americana tones and socially driven lyrics with punk spirit. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/roger-clyne-and-the-peacemakers-and-dave-hause-the-mermaid/</u> Lobero LIVE presents **Get The Led Out on Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 7:30 PM.** From the bombastic and epic to the folky and mystical, Get The Led Out (GTLO) has captured the essence of Led Zeppelin's recorded music and brought it to the concert stage, in all its depth and glory. The Philadelphia-based group consists of six veteran musicians intent on delivering Led Zeppelin live, like you've never heard before. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/get-the-led-out-3/</u>

#### October 2023

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero LIVE present **An Evening with The Wallflowers on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 7:30 PM.** The Wallflowers have held their ground as one of rock's most dynamic and purposeful bands – continually honing a sound that meshes timeless songwriting and storytelling with a hard-hitting and decidedly modern musical attack. *Exit Wounds*, the group's latest studio offering, finds the GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> Award winning band's signature sound intact, even as Jakob Dylan surrounds himself with a fresh cast of musicians. https://www.lobero.org/events/an-evening-with-the-wallflowers/

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Pat Metheny – Dream Box Tour on Monday, October 30, 2023 at 7:30 PM**. This fall, the 20time GRAMMY® Award winning guitarist & composer is launching a solo tour, which will coincide with a new album release, *Dream Box*. The tour, a first of its kind for Metheny, will feature personal and fan favorites from his nearly 50-year career. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/pat-metheney-dream-box-tour/</u>

Lobero LIVE presents **An Evening with Bruce Cockburn, with special guest Steve Postell on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 7:30 PM**. For 50 years, the Canadian musical legend has been capturing in song the essence of human experience – while fiercely striving to make it better. His guitar playing, both acoustic and electric, has placed him in the company of the world's top instrumentalists. Embracing folk, jazz, rock, and worldbeat styles, Cockburn's prized songbook will be celebrated for many years to come.

https://www.lobero.org/events/bruce-cockburn/

Lobero LIVE presents **The Manhattan Transfer 50th Anniversary & Farwell Tour on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 7:30 PM**. The legendary quartet has achieved an incomparable career of pop and jazz hits, winning 10 GRAMMY® Awards out of 20 nominations. With their current release, *FIFTY*, the group has earned its 21st GRAMMY® nomination – for Best Jazz Vocal Album. They've also been inducted this year into the East Coast Music Hall of Fame and the Vocal Music Hall of Fame. <u>https://www.lobero.org/events/the-manhattan-transfer-50th-anniversary-farewell-tour/</u>

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