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Chart-topping Pianist, Jim Brickman, Brings Christmas Show to Stambaugh Auditorium

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For Immediate Release:

Stambaugh Auditorium will present Grammy-nominated songwriter and piano sensation, Jim Brickman, on Thursday, December 20th at 7:30 PM. *A Joyful Christmas* is sure to deliver the sound and spirit of the season with carols, classics, and original songs to make your holiday season merry and bright.

American songwriter and pianist, Jim Brickman, has earned six Gold and Platinum albums and is known for his solo piano compositions and vocal collaborations. He has earned two Grammy nominations for his albums *Peace* (Best Instrumental), and *Faith* (Best New Age Album). His collaborations have crossed genres featuring, Martina McBride, Carly Simon, Lady Antebellum, Michael W. Smith, Michael Bolton, Kenny Rogers, Olivia Newton-John, and many more country, R&B, Broadway, pop, and jazz musicians.

Making its debut in January 1997, "Your Weekend with Jim Brickman" has been heard across the United States in more than 80 markets, featuring music blended with celebrity interviews. As a strong supporter of PBS, Brickman has released four specials for the public television network. Additionally to his radio and television appearances, he has hosted an annual fan cruise since 2006.

Tickets will go on sale this Friday, June 15th at 10:00 AM through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium. Reserved seats range in price from \$15-\$45 plus applicable fees. For tickets, call 330-259-0555, go to stambaughauditorium.com, or visit the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium in person. The box office is open Monday through Friday, 9am-6pm.

About Stambaugh Auditorium:

Stambaugh Auditorium is a non-profit public auditorium, which opened in 1926 through the generous gift of Youngstown area businessman Henry H. Stambaugh. The centerpiece of the complex is the Concert Hall, which has a seating capacity of 2,553 and is renowned for its near perfect acoustics. The auditorium also features a 9,700-square-foot ballroom (Jeanne D. Tyler Grand Ballroom), a recital hall (Anne K. Christman Memorial Hall), and a formal garden at the southern end of the building, all of which can be rented for public, business, or private functions. The venue welcomes national and international performers on a regular basis while also hosting local and regional events many of which use the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office to sell and distribute tickets. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.