

## PRESS RELEASE

Grammy Award winning saxophonist, Kenny G, to perform holiday concert at Stambaugh Auditorium

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## For Immediate Release:

Kenny G is bringing his iconic sound to Stambaugh Auditorium with a Holiday Concert on Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Known for his ability to blend jazz with pop, R&B, and Latin sounds, Kenny G's recording career spans over three decades and 23 albums. This performance will include holiday songs as well as Kenny G classics. Tickets go on sale Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

Since 1982, Kenny G has become one of the best-selling instrumental musicians and best-selling artists with global sales totaling more than 75 million records. Seven of his singles have hit the Top 40 on the *Billboard* Hot 100. He has also been ranked as one of the most played artists in the Adult Contemporary format with nine top ten singles. Kenny G has collaborated with some of the biggest names in music ranging from Michael Bolton to Weezer to Whitney Houston to Katy Perry.

Kenny G began playing the saxophone at age 10. At just 17, he was hired by Barry White to perform with his Love Unlimited Orchestra. In 1982, he released his first album, a self-titled mix of jazz and R&B. But it was his fourth studio album (*Duotones*), released in 1986, that made him an international star. It peaked at No. 6 on *Billboard's* Top 200 list and spent 102 consecutive weeks on the chart.

Kenny G's biggest hit single was 1987's *Songbird*, which peaked at #4 on the *Billboard* Hot 100. His best-selling album to date, 1992's *Breathless*, sold 12 million copies in the U.S. alone. His 1994 Christmas album, *Miracles: The Holiday Album*, has sold over eight million copies.

In early 2015, he released his fourteenth studio album, *Brazilian Nights*. The 10 song set is a tribute to Bossa Nova, with a mixture of classics and Kenny G originals.

Tickets for this show are available to the public on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am. For more information or for tickets, visit stambaughauditorium.com or call the Stambaugh Auditorium Box Office at 330-259-0555. Group discounts are available; contact the box office for details.

## 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 (The Anne 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 entertainment events. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.