

TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA ANNOUNCES 2022 WINTER TOUR: 'THE GHOSTS OF CHRISTMAS EVE – THE BEST OF TSO & MORE'

60-CITY TOUR BEGINS NOVEMBER 16, 2022

PUBLIC TICKETS ON SALE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 AT 10 AM

SPECIALLY PRICED \$29 TICKETS OFFERED FOR ONE WEEK ONLY

HUNTINGTON CENTER - TWO SPECTACULAR SHOWS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2- 3 PM & 7:30 PM

Toledo, OH (September 12, 2022) – Multi-platinum, progressive rock group <u>Trans-Siberian</u> <u>Orchestra</u> (TSO) - today announced the dates for its highly anticipated 2022 winter tour, *The Ghosts of Christmas Eve* – *the Best of TSO & More presented by Hallmark Channel*. After its first year off the road in more than two decades, TSO made a triumphant return to touring in 2021 with a 25th anniversary celebration of *Christmas Eve and Other Stories*. For 2022, TSO brings a completely updated presentation of the unforgettable, multi-generational holiday tradition, "The Ghosts of Christmas Eve," to 60 cities across the nation. This year's tour kicks off on Wed., Nov. 16 with performances in Green Bay and Council Bluffs, and will conclude after 101 shows on Fri., Dec. 30 (see full itinerary <u>www.trans-siberian.com</u>).

101.5 The River, Toledo's Rock Station WIOT, Tireman Auto Service Centers, J. Foster Jewelers & Live Nation are proud to welcome TSO when they return to Toledo for two spectacular shows on Friday, December 2, at 3pm and 7:30pm at Huntington Center. Tickets for both shows go on sale Friday, September 16th 10am at www.ticketmaster.com and the Huntington Center Box with a portion of the proceeds benefiting The Toledo Northwestern Ohio Foodbank. *Beginning with the public on sale, a limited number of specially priced \$29* tickets will be available for one week or while supplies last.*

Keeping with the O'Neill's vision (Paul O'Neill, and his wife Desi), TSO remains one of rock's most charitable bands. Once again, thankfully, TSO will give at least \$1 from every ticket sold to charity. To date, approximately \$18 million has been donated by the group. Desi O'Neill said, "we want to thank the fans so much for the kindness they showed in coming out last year. It meant the world to our family. Moreover, the credit for any charitable donation is due to you not us. The only way we can help all is because of you."

A product of the imagination of TSO's late founder Paul O'Neill, and his wife Desi, and based on TSO's multi-platinum CD and TV special, "The Ghosts of Christmas Eve," the rock opera features such enduring fan-favorites as "Christmas Eve/Sarajevo 12/24," "O' Come All Ye Faithful," "Good King Joy," "Christmas Canon," "Music Box Blues," "Promises To Keep," and "This Christmas Day." 2022's tour will also boast a rousing second set containing more of TSO's greatest hits and fan-pleasers including "Wizards In Winter," "A Mad Russian's Christmas," and many more.

"It was so special to be back playing live last year. When you love something as much as we do and it's taken away, it made us super thankful to be back. I look forward to seeing all our 'repeat offenders' and all our new friends when we hit the road," said TSO's music director and lead guitarist Al Pitrelli. "I love all of Paul's stories, but 'The Ghosts of Christmas Eve' is one of my favorites and can't wait to unveil this incredibly amazing new show for everyone. We know some people may be having tough times, so we worked hard with the local promoters and arenas to have a low priced \$29 ticket to do our part in helping out. God Bless all of you and see you in November and December when we celebrate in-person once again."

For more details on tour dates and ticket sales, visit www.trans-siberian.com.

Since its touring debut, TSO has played more than 2,000 Winter Tour shows to approximately 18 million fans, with tour grosses of more than \$725 million, and has sold more than 12 million albums and DVDs. Year-after-year TSO hits the upper reaches of the domestic and worldwide tour charts. Recently, *Pollstar* published its compiled touring charts for the past 40 years. TSO ranked No. 11 in Tickets Sold and No. 21 in Top Box Office Grosses. In June, *Billboard* placed TSO at No. 9 on its Mid-Year Boxscore Report, based on concerts from November 1, 2021, through April 30, 2022. Previously, TSO placed No. 31 on *Billboard*'s "Top Touring Artists of the

<u>Decade</u> (2010s)." Additionally, at the close of the aughts, the group was ranked at No. 20 on *Pollstar*'s "<u>Top Tour(s) of the Decade</u>" and No. 25 on *Billboard*'s "<u>Top Touring Artists of the Decade</u>."

* plus applicable taxes and fees.

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ASSETS:

For photos, video, music, bio, and more information on the 2022 Winter Tour, visit: https://nc-management.com/tso/press/winter/ (username: "press" / password: "ghosts1224").

INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES:

PRINT/ONLINE: Al Pitrelli and longtime TSO drummer Jeff Plate are available for interviews prior to the tour To request an interview, contact Scoop Marketing at pr@solters.com

RADIO: Al Pitrelli, Jeff Plate, and Joel Hoekstra are available for select radio phone interviews on Sept. 13 through Sept. 16. For more information and/or to schedule an interview, please contact Alan Rommelfanger at alan@daybreakentertainment.com

TV: TSO's Al Pitrelli and Kayla Reeves are available for TV interviews via Zoom on Sept. 19 and Sept. 20. For more information and/or to schedule an interview, please contact Gabi Bisconti at gbisconti@nc-management.com.

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