

2023 *AMERICAN IDOL* WINNER IAM TONGI SET TO APPEAR AT TULALIP RESORT CASINO'S ORCA BALLROOM FRIDAY, MAY 17, AT 8 P.M.

TICKETS ON SALE FRIDAY, MARCH 22, FOR ONE SHOW BY MULTI-TALENTED ARTIST

TULALIP, Wash. (March 8, 2024) – Multi-talented *American Idol* winner Iam Tongi is set to thrill audiences at Tulalip Resort Casino for one show only Friday, May 17, at 8 p.m. Tickets (\$65/\$55) for his performance in the Orca Ballroom go on sale Friday, March 22, through Ticketmaster at https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0F00604EB99729EC.

Tickets for all Orca Ballroom shows also can be purchased service charge-free at Tulalip Resort Casino's Box Office and Quil Ceda Creek Casino's ONE club desk.

Now residing in Federal Way, Tongi took top honors in the season 21 edition of *American Idol* in 2023. The Kahuku, Hawaii, native captivated audiences and the competition's celebrity judges with his soulful voice coupled with his skillful performances on the ukulele, piano and guitar. Tongi's *American Idol* appearances propelled the 19-year-old to viral fame with more than 100 million views on YouTube. His career continues to flourish with sellout shows across the U.S. and his single, "I'll Be Seeing You," reached No. 3 on Billboard's Digital Song Sales chart.

The Orca Ballroom's upcoming schedule of performances includes *Saturday Night Live* regular and *30 Rock* cast member **Tracy Morgan** on Friday, March 22, at 8 p.m. Tickets (\$70/60) are now on sale through Ticketmaster <u>https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0F006029723F0B8F</u>. The Emmy-nominated stand-up comic and actor has brought his cutting-edge humor and life observations to the stage and screen for more than two decades.

When all you want is everything, **The Spinners** perform one show, Friday, April 19, at 8 p.m. One of the most iconic and enduring groups in R&B history, tickets (\$65/\$55) are available through Ticketmaster at <u>https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0F00603A7ED90E1A</u>. With roots in Motown, The Spinners were inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2023 and have been influenced by the smooth sound of "Philadelphia Soul" with the classic hits "I'll Be Around," "Could It Be I'm Falling in Love," "Then Came You," "The Rubberband Man" and many more.

Former American Idol winner **Scotty McCreery** takes the Orca Ballroom stage Friday, May 3, at 8 p.m. Tickets (\$65/\$55) are on sale through Ticketmaster at https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0F00604EBCEF2B48.

Since winning American Idol in 2011 McCreery has dazzled audiences with major hits from Platinum and Gold certified albums including "Five More Minutes," "This Is It," "In Between," "See You Tonight" and many more. Four of his albums have debuted at No.1 on the *Billboard* Albums Chart and he has been honored on multiple occasions by the CMT Music Awards, Nashville Songwriter Awards and American Country Awards, among others.

The resort's multiple dining options, gaming attractions and award-winning accommodations offer a complete "night out" experience for Orca Ballroom eventgoers.

For more information about Tulalip Resort Casino visit <u>everythingtulalip.com</u>.

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