

# RUTH ECKERD HALL

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**RUTH ECKERD HALL ANNOUNCES  
HARRY CONNICK, JR.  
& ORCHESTRA  
YOUR SONGS IN CONCERT  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 AT 8 PM**

**Tickets go on sale this Friday, January 8 at noon**

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**January 4, 2010, Clearwater, FL** – Three-time Grammy® winner and actor, Harry Connick, Jr. and orchestra will perform *Your Songs* at Ruth Eckerd Hall on Friday, February 12 at 8 pm. Tickets for this exclusive Tampa Bay area concert go on sale this Friday, January 8 at noon.

Connick has sold more than 25 million albums worldwide and is ranked among the best selling male artists in the United States by the Recording Industry Association of America with 16 million certified albums. He has seven top-20 U.S. albums and ten number-one U.S. jazz albums, earning him more number-one albums than any other artist in the U.S. jazz chart history. In addition to his three Grammy® awards, he also has won one Emmy® award.

Currently, Connick is on tour in support of his latest Columbia Records release *Your Songs*, a collection of classic popular songs. Clive Davis, the legendary producer and Chief Creative Officer of Sony Music Entertainment, was the co-producer of the project. The songs that Connick and Davis selected include some of the best known works of singer/songwriters including Lennon-McCartney's *And I Love Her*, Elton John's *Your Song*, Elvis Presley's *Can't Help Falling In Love With You* and *Bésame Mucho*, sung in both Spanish and English, a long-time favorite of Connick's father.

Although the album has earned Connick another Grammy nomination in the category of Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album, what was already there, of course, was a collection of timeless songs, collaboration with a legendary producer and the unprecedented talent that is Harry Connick, Jr., monumental parts that together have created the even greater whole that is *Your Songs*, which Connick will bring to Ruth Eckerd Hall for one unforgettable night.

Reserved tickets priced at \$100.00, \$80.00 and \$49.00 will be available at the Ruth Eckerd Hall Ticket Office located at 1111 McMullen Booth Road in Clearwater, by calling 727.791.7400 or by logging onto [www.rutherfordhall.com](http://www.rutherfordhall.com). The Ruth Eckerd Hall Ticket Office is open Monday through Saturday, from noon to 6 pm and one hour prior to showtime. Tickets will also available by logging onto [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

*Designed by the prestigious Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation, Ruth Eckerd Hall is known for its 2,180-seat, acoustically perfect auditorium. Artists from America and around the world, ranging from classical, rock, opera, Broadway, jazz, pop and more are included in the stellar lineup of more than 200 performances a year.*

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