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ACADEMY AWARD WINNER HANS ZIMMER JOINS THE ONE NIGHT FOR ONE DROP CREATIVE TEAM FOR THE SEVENTH EDITION OF THE ANNUAL PHILANTHROPIC EVENT

Exclusive Performance also Includes Pieces by Andrew Winghart, Alexander
Ekman, Blue Man Group and Keone and Mari

LAS VEGAS – <u>One Night for One Drop 2019</u>, presented by MGM Resorts International, is pleased to welcome award-winning film score composer Hans Zimmer to the "O" Theatre stage as he presents three brilliant compositions, including a modified piece from the blockbuster hit "Interstellar," specially adapted for the one-night-only performance. In addition to Zimmer's exclusive renditions, *One Night for One Drop* also will welcome celebrated Strip headliner Blue Man Group, internationally recognized choreographers Andrew Winghart and Alexander Ekman, and world-renowned creatives Keone and Mari, who all orchestrated breathtaking pieces to artistically echo this year's inspirational theme of man and nature.

With a career spanning more than three decades, Hans Zimmer has composed music for more than 150 films. His best-known works include soundtracks for "The Pirates of the Caribbean" series, "Interstellar," "Inception," "The Dark Knight Trilogy" and "The Lion King," for which he won an Academy Award for Best Original Score. Zimmer will perform alongside the talented *Cirque du Soleil* performers in three different acts as this year's performance features a unique aquatic theme that incorporates water in ways audience members have never seen before.

Imagined by *Cirque du Soleil*, the never-before-presented performance stars Michael Duffy, a former *Cirque du Soleil* performer and current artistic coach for the Cirque du Soleil at Sea project, who plays main character "Everyman," created to symbolize that humanity can be represented by one entity. Everyman's counterpart, "Drop," is portrayed by Sabine Nehls, a 12-year-old prodigy, *Cirque du Soleil* newcomer and "World of Dance" finalist. Her character is more than just a girl though, as a wise guide she far surpasses her tiny stature, leading Everyman and the audience toward greater empathy and the

betterment of the world. Duffy and Nehls are led by André Kasten and Leah Moyer, the co-writers and directors of this year's show and the masterminds behind the performance's heartwarming storyline.

In addition to enjoying the one-night-only presentation and to get further involved, guests will have the opportunity to bid on once-in-a-lifetime experiences and extravagant items during a premier live auction. Sprinkled throughout six lots, the auction items include a McLaren 570S Spider, limited-edition Audemars Piguet timepiece, private jet to a secluded villa in Turks & Caicos, Serengeti safari-living experience in Tanzania, Château St. Tropez getaway and a journey aboard *The World* luxury sea residence. All funds raised throughout the evening will directly assist with One Drop's global mission as well as educational efforts throughout the Las Vegas valley.

One Night for One Drop will take place March 8, 2019 at "O" Theatre inside Bellagio Resort & Casino. Individual, tax-deductible All-Access tickets are available for \$3,000 and include an exclusive pre-show cocktail reception and post-show party complete with special performances, gourmet food and premium wine and spirits. Individual VIP tickets are available for \$1,500 and include admission to the post-show cocktail party. Show-only tickets start at \$125. Sponsorship packages, VIP and individual tickets are available at onedrop.org/onenight or by calling 1-844-33-WATER.

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ABOUT ONE DROP™

One Drop™ is an international foundation created by Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberté with the vision of a better world, where all have access to living conditions that allow empowerment and development, today and forever. Our mission is to ensure sustainable access to safe water and sanitation to the most vulnerable communities through innovative partnerships, creativity and the power of art. Together with its partners, One Drop brings its unique Social Art for Behaviour Change™ approach to promote the adoption of healthy practices around water, sanitation and hygiene through locally inspired social art programs, empowering the communities to take ownership of the projects over time. For this to be possible, One Drop puts together novel fundraising initiatives supported by a visionary community of partners and donors. One Drop counts over 10 years of turning water into action with projects that will transform the lives of over 1.4 million beneficiaries around the world. The foundation was recognized by Charity Intelligence as one of the 2018 Top 10 Impact Charities in Canada.

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ABOUT CIRQUE DU SOLEIL

From a group of 20 street performers at its beginnings in 1984, Cirque du Soleil is now a major Quebecbased organization providing high-quality artistic entertainment. The company has close to 4,000 employees, including 1,300 performing artists from close to 50 different countries. *Cirque du Soleil* has brought wonder and delight to more than 190 million spectators in 400 cities in 60 countries on six continents.

In Las Vegas, *Cirque du Soleil* has six permanent resident shows. These productions include *Mystère* at Treasure Island, "O" at Bellagio Resort & Casino, *Zumanity* at New York-New York Hotel & Casino, KÀ at MGM Grand Hotel & Casino, *The Beatles™* LOVE™ at The Mirage Hotel & Casino, and *Michael Jackson ONE* at Mandalay Bay.

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