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The Madison Square Garden Company Announces Bob Saget Has Been Added to the All-Star Lineup of Garden of Laughs, Presented by Delta Air Lines, to Benefit The Garden of Dreams Foundation

SAGET JOINS LESLIE JONES, SEBASTIAN MANISCALCO, TRACY MORGAN, JOHN OLIVER AND CHRIS ROCK FOR A NIGHT OF STAND-UP COMEDY HOSTED BY STEVE SCHIRRIPIA AT THE THEATER AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28 AT 8:00 PM

Already Confirmed Celebrity Appearances By Adam Graves, Matt Lauer, Spike Lee, Darryl "DMC" McDaniels, Mark Messier, John Starks and Justin Tuck With Additional Celebrity Presenters To Be Announced

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NEW YORK, Jan. 24, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Madison Square Garden Company (NYSE:MSG) and The Garden of Dreams Foundation is pleased to announce that Grammy Award-nominated comedian and the star of two of the most successful network TV shows ever produced, Bob Saget, has joined the Garden of Laughs presented by Delta Air Lines. The bi-annual all-star comedy benefit will take place at The Theater at Madison Square Garden on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 8:00 p.m., with all net proceeds going directly to Garden of Dreams. As previously announced, Jerry Seinfeld will now be unable to attend the Garden of Laughs fundraiser as was previously scheduled. Instead, Seinfeld announced that he would donate the proceeds from an upcoming 2017 show at the Beacon Theatre to the Foundation.

Saget is perhaps best known for his work as the star of two of the most family-friendly shows network TV has ever produced ("Full House" and "Americas Funniest Home Videos") but he's also been an out-of-his-mind standup comedian for over thirty years. From his 2014 Grammy-nominated stand-up special, "That's What I'm Talkin' About" to his scene-stealing cameos in "Entourage," and "The Aristocrats," it's always effective when Saget embraces his dark side. In January 2016, Saget completed a nine-week run on Broadway as Pastor Greg in the Tony-nominated play, "Hand To God," and his first book, "Dirty Daddy," is a New York Times Best Seller with Vanity Fair calling it, "Hilarious and at times heartbreaking." Bob will be seen in the upcoming third season of the hit Netflix series, "Fuller House," which premiered its second season on December 9. This summer he will direct and star in the feature film, "Jake," and he is preparing to shoot his next stand-up special while touring his standup across North America.

Saget joins an all-star cast of comedians, including Leslie Jones, Sebastian Maniscalco, Tracy Morgan, John Oliver and Chris Rock.

Steve Schirripa, currently starring in "Blue Bloods" and best known for his role as Bobby Baccalieri in "The Sopranos," is a long-time supporter and advisory board member of the Garden of Dreams Foundation and will host the evening. Joining Schirripa as presenters will be Garden of Dreams Foundation Board Member Darryl "DMC" McDaniels, Rangers legends Adam Graves and Mark Messier, Knicks legend John Starks and Giants legend Justin Tuck as well as Matt Lauer and Spike Lee, with many additional sports and entertainment icons to be announced.

This year's event is proud to have Delta Air Lines as our Presenting Sponsor as well as Tissot and the Children's Cancer Institute at Hackensack University Medical Center, one of the 28 GDF partner organizations that make dreams come true for children and families in our area, as two key supporting partners of Garden of Laughs.

The Garden of Dreams Foundation is a non-profit organization that works with The Madison Square Garden Company and MSG Networks Inc. to make dreams come true for children facing obstacles. Since the Foundation began in 2006, this collaboration has brightened the lives of more than 300,000 children and their families.

Garden of Dreams works with 28 partner organizations throughout the tri-state area, including hospitals, wish organizations and community-based organizations, to reach children who are facing challenges such as homelessness, extreme poverty, illness and foster care. The Foundation takes pride in its commitment to truly change lives, hosting more than 500 events and programs each year such as its annual Talent Show and Prom.

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scholarships and long-lasting community projects such as the refurbishment of pediatric areas at local hospitals, basketball courts and community centers - with plans for many more vital civic enhancements in the years to come.

Both the 2013 and 2015 Garden of Laughs events were sold-out, raising nearly \$2.5 million between them - making Garden of Laughs the most successful fundraiser for the Foundation in its decade-long history. The inaugural event was hosted by Bob Costas and featured comedians Ray Romano, Wanda Sykes, Robert Klein, Brian Regan, Darrell Hammond and Adam Ferrara and the 2015 event featured comedy stars Lewis Black, Bill Burr, Dane Cook, Billy Gardell and John Oliver. Both events featured a full lineup of celebrity presenters, including Will Arnett, Victor Cruz, Michael J. Fox, John Leguizamo, Ben Stiller, Brooke Shields and Garden of Dreams board members Whoopi Goldberg and Darryl "DMC" McDaniels. Garden of Laughs is Executive Produced by Emmy Award-winning television producer and talent manager Rory Rosegarten.

Ticket prices range from \$65-\$350 with a select number of VIP packages available. For tickets and more information on Garden of Laughs and the VIP packages, please visit www.gardenoflaughs.com. Tickets are available now through Ticketmaster Charge By Phone (1-866-858-0008) and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets are also available at the box offices at Madison Square Garden, Radio City Music Hall and the Beacon Theatre.

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