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The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts  
announces

# Solange



**Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.**  
**In the Kennedy Center Concert Hall**

(WASHINGTON)—The Kennedy Center presents Grammy Award–winning singer–songwriter **Solange Knowles** in her Kennedy Center debut performance on **Sunday, October 1**, in the Concert Hall. **The Sun Ra Arkestra** will serve as the opening act for the performance.

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“Solange is an important voice for this generation and *A Seat at the Table* is a profound work that is beautifully and unapologetically Black,” said Simone Eccleston, director of Hip Hop Culture and Contemporary Music. “It is a catalyst for critical discourse and community, a vital space for catharsis and healing and a powerful testament to the transcendent power of art. We could not be more excited to celebrate the one year anniversary of this landmark album and to welcome Solange to the Kennedy Center.”

On September 30, 2016, Solange released her critically-acclaimed album *A Seat at the Table* which debuted at #1 on the Billboard Top 200 Chart with over 72,000 units sold. The album was #1 on both Apple Music and iTunes Overall Top Albums Chart.

*A Seat at the Table*, an album written and performed by Solange Knowles, and co-executive produced alongside Raphael Saadiq, was released globally via Saint Records/Columbia.

Solange describes *A Seat at the Table*, which she began writing in 2013, as “a project on identity, empowerment, independence, grief and healing.”

### **TICKET INFORMATION**

**Solange’s** performance takes place on October 1, 2017 at 8 p.m. in the Concert Hall. Tickets will be available to Kennedy Center Members on Thursday, Aug. 24 at 10:00 a.m. and to the general public on Friday, August 25 at 10:00 a.m. Tickets start at \$49 and will be available at the Kennedy Center box office, by calling Instant Charge at (202) 467-4600, or through the Kennedy Center website at [www.kennedy-center.org](http://www.kennedy-center.org).

### **FUNDING CREDITS**

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