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**RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME:  
DR. JOHN AND THE NITE TRIPPERS  
PERFORM AT TACOMA'S HISTORIC PANTAGES THEATER OCTOBER 7**

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**Tacoma, Wash.** – Six-time Grammy-winner and Rock Hall inductee [Dr. John](#) is on a career high, headlining a string of shows with his band The Nite Trippers; receiving the prestigious Louie Award from Louis Armstrong House Museum; and starring as himself and performing "Right Place, Wrong Time" on the season premiere of hit CBS series "NCIS: New Orleans." [On October 7 at 7:30 p.m., Dr. John and The Nite Trippers will perform at Tacoma's historic Pantages Theater; tickets are on sale now.](#)

**As a special fundraising effort for victims of recent floods in Dr. John's home state of Louisiana, Broadway Center will donate \$5 to Red Cross relief efforts for each ticket purchased with code LAFLOOD.**

Known throughout the world as the embodiment of New Orleans music, Dr. John is an international cultural icon. His career began in the 1950s when he wrote and played on some of the greatest records to come out of his home town, including recordings by Professor Longhair, Art Neville, Joe Tex and Frankie Ford. Dr. John headed to Los Angeles in the 1960s as a session musician, playing on albums by Sonny and Cher, Van Morrison, Aretha Franklin and The Rolling Stones.

His album "Sun, Moon and Herbs" included cameos from Eric Clapton and Mick Jagger, and "In The Right Place" contained the chart hits "Right Place Wrong Time" and "Such A Night." Dr. John continues to create music with a passion, including "The Bare Necessities" with The Nite Trippers for Disney's live action blockbuster "The Jungle Book" soundtrack. He was inspired to record the critically acclaimed "Ske-Dat-De-Dat: The Spirit of Satch" – a tribute to Louis Armstrong - when Satch came to him in a dream and told him: "Do my music, your way." The album, co-produced and arranged by Dr. John's Musical Director Sarah Morrow, debuted at #1 on the Billboard Jazz Chart.

**REVIEWS:**

The New York Times writes that Dr. John performs "much the same as in his wily youth, singing in a drawling croak and playing piano and organ with a principal stake in rhythm." And Entertainment Weekly notes that Dr. John with his natural talent makes "mystique-dripping grooves sound easy."

“At 74, Dr. John remains a formidable performer, a force of nature and invention even inside a tight script. Armstrong recorded the sentimental nugget "That's My Home" in 1932 with a big band led by drummer Chick Webb. Dr. John pulled the song forward to the golden age of New Orleans R&B ballads – as if it had first been cut by the great soul man Johnny Adams – in a voice pitted with life and trouble but also loaded with the weathered assurance that there is still no place like *his* home.” -Rolling Stone Magazine.

“When he closed with a 7-minute “Such a Night,” it was fun and fabulous – so much so that he stayed at the front of the stage, shaking hands and blowing kisses as his band finished behind him. 'If I don't do it, somebody else will,' he sang in that song. But don't believe it – there's no one like Dr. John.” -Morning Call

“The Towering Song award is given to a different classic each year, and this year's was Bob Thiele and George David Weiss' 'What a Wonderful World,' made famous by Louis Armstrong. The version played tonight by Dr. John was a New Orleans'ed-up take that was monstrously funky in that was only the Doctor can deliver. It was probably the night's best musical performance.” -Billboard Magazine, on “What a Wonderful World”  
Songwriters Hall of Fame Induction

Tickets for [Dr. John and The Nite Trippers](#) are on sale now and start at \$39. To purchase tickets call the Broadway Center Box Office at 253.591.5894, toll-free 1.800.291.7593, visit the Broadway Center website at [www.BroadwayCenter.org](http://www.BroadwayCenter.org), or in person at 901 Broadway in Tacoma's Theater District.

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