



## **Press Release**

### **ACADEMY-AWARD WINNING COMPOSER MICHEL LEGRAND IS COMING TO DUBAI OPERA**

**Dubai UAE, 22 November 2016:** Dubai Opera is thrilled to announce that French composer, arranger, conductor and jazz pianist, Michel Legrand will be celebrating his milestone 85<sup>th</sup> birthday by performing at Dubai Opera for one spectacular night on 23 February 2017 with tickets going on sale 23 November 2016.

With more than 50 years in the industry, writing more than 200 much loved film and television scores, Michel Legrand will be bringing his sensational songs to life on the Dubai Opera stage for the first time in the UAE.

Famed for his atmospheric and memorable scores, Legrand penned some of the most celebrated works such as The Summer of 42, Yentl and The Thomas Crown Affair for the hauntingly anthemic “The Windmills of Your Mind.”

Legrand has worked with some of the biggest names in the business, recording more than 100 albums with stars including Ray Charles, Aretha Franklin, Frank Sinatra and Diana Ross.

Dubai Opera’s Chief Executive, Jasper Hope, commented: “It is an honour to celebrate the life and works of Michel Legrand at Dubai Opera. His musical scores are as memorable as the incredible films they have brought to life and I am delighted we've been able to persuade him to share them live with an audience in Dubai for the very first time.”

For full details please visit: [www.dubaiopera.com](http://www.dubaiopera.com)

Tickets will be available from 23 November at [www.dubaiopera.com](http://www.dubaiopera.com)

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## **Note to Editors**

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### **About Dubai Opera:**

Dubai Opera is a truly unique venue and the city’s first purpose built multi-format performing arts theatre, situated in the heart of Downtown Dubai. With an iconic dhow shaped design rooted in Emirati heritage, Dubai Opera offers the ultimate flexibility of a proscenium arch theatre, an acoustic concert hall and a 2000m<sup>2</sup> flat floor event space, and is the definitive destination for quality entertainment productions and performances. Dubai Opera's stage will host an incredible array of world-class talent, with opera, ballet and classical music concerts and productions at the core, Dubai Opera will also stage musical theatre, fashion shows, jazz, comedy, family shows and a full range of live entertainment.



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