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New Skyline Stage @ the Mann Debuts for the 2012 Summer Season

PHILADELPHIA (April 12, 2012) – There's an all new way to love music in Philadelphia this summer – introducing the Skyline Stage @ theMann. Located at the top of the Mann's Fairmount Park grounds, the Skyline Stage will compliment the Mann's summer season by giving the Mann an opportunity to expand its concert offerings with a new kind of intimate experience. Concert-goers will have access to all of the Mann's preexisting amenities including adjacent parking at the top of the hill off of N. George's Hill Drive and distinctive concessions. Skyline Stage is set to accommodate anywhere between 500 and 4,000 patrons in a general admission setting. Audiences can expect a truly unique open-air event on the grass, in the park, framed by the best view of Philadelphia's skyline.

A select concert series will be presented on the Skyline Stage this summer, including the just announced Sigur Rós show on July 30, which marks the enigmatic band's return to the live stage after a four-year hiatus.

"For the past two years, Pollstar has named the Mann as one of the best outdoor music venues in North America. Our new performance space is another step in the evolution of the Mann's growing success and recognition. The Skyline Stage is an opportunity to continue to build on our reputation of presenting all genres of world-class music for the Mann's ever-growing fanbase. The Skyline Stages gives us the ability to enhance our summer season here in Fairmount Park," said Catherine M. Cahill, President and CEO of the Mann.

"The addition of the Skyline Stage @ the Mann gives both the artists and the fans a chance to enjoy the amazing atmosphere of the Mann in a general admission standing room configuration," said Mark Shulman, VP and GM of AEG Live Northeast. "The Skyline Stage will enable fans to experience the Mann in another exciting way."

Tickets for Sigur Rós at Skyline Stage @ theMann go on sale to general public Friday, April 20th at 10AM via Ticketmaster.com, 800-745-3000, MannCenter.org, AEGLive.com, TicketPhiladelphia.org, 215-893-1999 or The Mann Box Office.

About the Mann

As one of the most important outdoor music centers in the country, the Mann Center for the Performing Arts presents top artists in a world-class, entertainment destination in association with AEG Live and Princeton Entertainment. Each summer season, renowned symphony orchestras, iconic rock stars and the latest touring artists in indie rock, hip hop, R&B and pop take the stage here, and today's success is a nod to the venue's storied history. The Mann has been the summer home of The Philadelphia Orchestra since the 1930s and presented critically acclaimed performers in every decade since then. Located in the heart of Philadelphia's Fairmount Park, the Mann hosts more than 170,000 visitors annually. Signature concert experiences are surrounded by Philadelphia's stunning nighttime skyline and include seats beneath the Mann's magnificent shed; picnics, blankets and music under the stars on its famous lawn; and dining in Crescendo, the venue's spectacular tented restaurant. For more information, visit www.manncenter.org.

About AEG Live

AEG Live, the live-entertainment division of Los Angeles-based AEG, is dedicated to all aspects of live contemporary music performance. AEG Live is comprised of touring, festival, exhibition, broadcast, merchandise and special event divisions, fifteen regional offices and owns, operates or exclusively books thirty-five state-of-the-art venues. The current and recent concert tour roster includes artists such as Taylor Swift, The Black Eyed Peas, Bon Jovi, Usher, Carrie Underwood, Daughtry, Justin Bieber, Leonard Cohen, Wisin & Yandel, Kenny Chesney, P!nk and Paul McCartney. The company is also currently producing residency shows in Las Vegas including Celine Dion and Rod Stewart at The Colosseum at Caesars Palace and Barry Manilow at Paris Las Vegas. Our exhibition portfolio boasts the most successful exhibition of all time, *Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs*, which has attracted more than 7 million visitors since 2005. AEG Live is also the largest producer of music festivals in North America from the critically acclaimed Coachella Music & Arts Festival to Stagecoach Country Music Festival and New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival. www.aeglive.com

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