

SIGHTS & SOUNDS

FROM A LANDMARK POP ANNIVERSARY TO A BAD BOY REUNION, THE MAGIC CITY'S TOP ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS ARE DESTINED TO MAKE SEPTEMBER A MONTH TO REMEMBER.

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ON POINTE

The International Ballet Festival of Miami, now in its 21st year, presents principal dancers from some of the most notable ballet companies around the world. The two-week event also includes a dance film series, art exhibits, book presentations, workshops, and master classes. "This festival was created out of an intensive love for the art of ballet and much hard work and tenacity to see it through," says Pedro Pablo Peña, its founder and director. "Our Life for Dance award is now considered one of the most important awards for ballet internationally." *August 27 through September 11; internationalballetfestival.org*

BAD, BAD, BAD, BAD BOY

To mark the 20th anniversary of Bad Boy Records and to honor his late friend the Notorious B.I.G., label founder Sean "Puff Daddy" Combs is pulling off the ultimate reunion tour, celebrating all the major players in the Bad Boy family over the years. The performers will include Lil' Kim, Mase, Faith Evans, Mario Winans, 112, Total, Carl Thomas, the Lox, and French Montana—with, of course, Combs himself leading the

party. *September 10; AmericanAirlines Arena, 601 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, 786-777-1000; aaarena.com*

SURF SONGS

Brian Wilson began the *Pet Sounds* sessions while the Beach Boys were touring in 1965. When it was released a year later, the album was slow to click with the public, but it brought the Beach Boys a new level of critical acclaim. To celebrate its 50th anniversary, Wilson is touring the world with former bandmates Al Jardine and Blondie Chaplin to perform the album in its entirety, along with other hits and fan favorites from Wilson's time in the Beach Boys and as a solo artist. *September 14; Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, 1 Seminole Way,*

Hollywood, 866-502-7529; seminolehardrockhollywood.com

FOURSOME

Il Divo has not slowed down since Simon Cowell introduced the Latin-infused classical vocal quartet to the world in 2003. They've gone on to sell more than 30 million albums in 33 countries. Now touring in support of their seventh studio album, *Amor & Pasion*, the group presents a sultry live show, inspired by the flavors and rhythms of Spain and Cuba, Argentina and Mexico. They promise to deliver a passionate night of music meant to be shared with someone special. *September 20; Fillmore Miami Beach, 1700 Washington Ave., Miami Beach, 305-673-7300; fillmoremb.com* ■

Sean Combs is the impresario behind Bad Boy Records and the headliner of a highly anticipated anniversary tour hitting Miami on September 10.

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