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**EASTERN STATES EXPOSITION ANNOUNCES
FOREIGNER AT 2019 BIG E**

One of the most popular Rock acts in the world, Foreigner, will bring its formidable musical arsenal, including the #1 global hit, "I Want To Know What Love Is," to The Big E's xfinity arena Sept. 29, 2019. A limited number of \$29 Premium reserved seats go on sale Monday, November 26 at 10am at TheBigE.com and The Big E Box Office. Tickets include Big E admission.

Foreigner's 1977 self-titled debut album produced their first hit, "Feels Like The First Time," as well as "Cold As Ice" and "Long, Long Way From Home." The album *Double Vision* followed, as did a string of hits like "Urgent," "Juke Box Hero" and "Waiting For A Girl Like You." Those songs helped give Foreigner's next album, *4*, its impressive run at #1 on the Billboard chart. At the zenith of the '80s sound, Foreigner's fifth album, *Agent Provocateur*, gave the world the musical milestone, "I Want To Know What Love Is."

The band has amassed 10 multi-platinum albums, 16 Top 30 hits and worldwide album sales exceeding 80 million. Today, Foreigner continues to rock the charts more than 40 years into the game with massive airplay and Billboard Top 200 album success.

"The audience is finally waking up to the fact that the songs they have been listening to all their lives were actually recorded by Foreigner," said manager Phil Carson.

In 2012, several of their hits were featured on the Rock of Ages soundtrack; more songs than any other one band on the soundtrack.

Foreigner is led by founder Mick Jones on lead guitar, singer Kelly Hansen, bassist Jeff Pilson, multi-instrumentalist Tom Gimbel, keyboardist Michael Bluestein, guitarist Bruce Watson and Chris Frazier on drums.

"I never could have imagined when I set out to create Foreigner more than forty years ago, that we'd still be touring around the world and performing the music we love," Jones said.

In June 2013, Jones was inducted into the Songwriters Hall Of Fame. A multi-talented and multi-dimensional "musician's musician," Jones has also written songs such as "Bad Love" with Eric Clapton and "Dreamer" with Ozzy Osbourne, and produced records for others including Billy Joel's *Storm Front* and Van Halen's *5150*. A Grammy and Golden Globe-nominated songwriter, Jones is the winner of the prestigious British Ivor Novello Songwriter Award for "The Flame Still Burns," the soundtrack music for the film *Still Crazy*.

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Eastern States Exposition hosts The Big E, the seventh largest fair in North America, as well as 120 shows and events throughout the year. Don't miss Yuletide at Storowton, Dec. 1 & 2, Yuletide Open House Tours, Dec. 4-8 and Yuletide Lantern Light Evening, Dec. 5. Look for details at storowtonvillage.com/yuletide.

The 2019 Big E takes place Sept. 13-29 in West Springfield, Mass. Stay up to date with all the happenings at Eastern States Exposition by finding us on Facebook, following us on Twitter and Instagram or joining our mailing list – all from our home page – TheBigE.com.

What: Foreigner

When: Sunday, Sept. 29 – 7:30pm

Tickets: Free Show. A limited number of \$29 premium reserved seats go on sale Monday, Nov. 26 at 10am. Visit TheBigE.com or The Big E Box Office. Tickets include Big E admission.