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TAKE ME TO THE RIVER
Memphis soul and R&B revue
At Tacoma's historic Pantages Theater
Sunday, Oct. 22 at 7:30 p.m.

A showcase of the soul of American music
Featuring William Bell, Charlie Musselwhite and Bobby Rush

Plus Frayser Boy, Al Kapone, The Hi Rhythm Section and The Stax Academy Alumni Band
with Music Director Boo Mitchell

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TACOMA, WASH. – Broadway Center for the Performing Arts welcomes the national tour of Memphis blues showcase *Take Me to the River* to Tacoma's historic Pantages Theater on Sunday, Oct. 22 at 7:30 p.m. [Tickets start at \\$19 and are on sale now.](#)

Featuring all-star musicians, *Take Me to the River* is a live concert journey through the soul of American music with artists featured in the [documentary film](#) and [album](#) (of the same name) celebrating the inter-generational and inter-racial musical influence of Memphis in the face of pervasive discrimination and segregation. A tour-de-force performance highlighted by some of the most award-winning blues artists of all time, *Take Me to the River* will be a transcendent concert experience.

This historic concert features a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see legends [William Bell](#) (2017 GRAMMY Award winner), [Bobby Rush](#) (2017 GRAMMY Award winner), Charlie Musselwhite (2013 GRAMMY Award winner), and [Don Bryant](#) (Memphis music legend) share the stage and perform classics and new "Take Me To The River" collaborations.

Backed by an ALL-STAR Memphis band, the event includes the Hi-Rhythm Section (27 Gold and Platinum records, all of Al Green's classics) and GRAMMY Award-winning music director Boo Mitchell, award-winning director and GRAMMY Nominee Martin Shore, alumni from the STAX Music Academy, and special appearances from Academy Winner Frayser Boy and Critics Choice Award winner Al Kapone.

[Tickets for Take Me to the River LIVE are on sale now and start at \\$19.](#) To buy now call the Broadway Center Box Office at 253.591.5894, toll-free 1.800.291.7593, online at [BroadwayCenter.org](#), or in person at 901 Broadway in Tacoma's Theater District.

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