

**Gov't Mule's DARK SIDE OF THE MULE
& The Avett Brothers Announce 6 Co-Headlining Summer Dates**

With Special Guest The Magpie Salute

Pre-sale Begins Tuesday, March 20th at 12pm Local

General On-Sale Begins Friday, March 23rd at 12pm Local at LiveNation.com



LOS ANGELES, CA (March 16, 2018) – Gov't Mule's DARK SIDE OF THE MULE & The Avett Brothers will be joining forces for a run of **six summer co-headlining amphitheater shows with special guest The Magpie Salute**. Kicking off **July 12 at Northwell Health at Jones Beach Theater in Wantagh, NY**, this rare and thrilling evening of music produced by Live Nation will also make stops in **Holmdel, NJ, Mansfield, MA, Noblesville, IN, Tinley Park, IL and Clarkston, MI**. Full routing below. Pre-sale for these dates will begin **Tuesday, March 20th at 12pm local time** and will go on-sale **Friday, March 23rd at 12 local time**. Stay tuned to www.Mule.net for ticketing details. **Avett Guild (fan club) pre-sale** will begin on Tuesday, March 20th at 12pm local time. Visit theavettbrothers.com/guild for more info or to sign up.

Fans are in store for a mind-blowing night that will bring a full set from **The Avett Brothers** followed by **Gov't Mule** which will morph into **DARK SIDE OF THE MULE**, an audio and visual spectacular which will see **Gov't Mule** performing some of **Pink Floyd's** most iconic and beloved songs. For these shows, **Gov't Mule**, along with several special guest musicians, will present their most ambitious and advanced live production and light show yet, befitting the incredible music of Pink Floyd.

Out of the more than 2,000 shows **Gov't Mule** has played throughout their celebrated career, there **have only been two previous DARK SIDE OF THE MULE performances** - Halloween 2008 at the Orpheum Theatre in Boston, MA (where the band's 2014 *Dark Side of the Mule* live album was recorded) and Mountain Jam 2015. For those who can't catch one of these newly announced summer dates, **Gov't Mule will be bringing their DARK SIDE OF THE MULE set to Peach Fest on July 21st**. For the full list of Gov't Mule 2018 tour dates and ticketing info, **PRESS HERE**.

Special guest **The Magpie Salute** will open all dates. These shows will reunite Warren Haynes and Matt Abts with Rich Robinson and Marc Ford of The Magpie Salute, who last toured together when Gov't Mule toured with The Black Crowes in 1994.

Gov't Mule's DARK SIDE OF THE MULE & The Avett Brothers Tour Dates:

*special guest **The Magpie Salute** on all dates

July 12	Wantagh, NY @ Northwell Health at Jones Beach Theater
July 13	Holmdel, NJ @ PNC Bank Arts Center
July 14	Mansfield, MA @ Xfinity Center
Aug 23	Noblesville, IN @ Ruoff Home Mortgage Music Center
Aug 24	Tinley Park, IL @ Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre
Aug 25	Clarkston, MI @ DTE Energy Music Theatre



(Gov't Mule - credit: Jacob Blickenstaff; The Avett Brothers – credit: Crackerfarm)

ABOUT GOV'T MULE & WARREN HAYNES:

Preeminent American rock band **Gov't Mule's** acclaimed 10th studio album ***Revolution Come... Revolution Go*** [Fantasy Records] is out now. **PRESS HERE** to listen. Spanning rock, blues, soul, jazz and country, the album won over fans and critics alike and, upon its release, shot up the rock charts, racked up over 1.5 million streams, and nabbed the band their highest-selling debut week ever. Their most diverse offering to date, ***Revolution Come... Revolution Go*** showcases the band's evocative songwriting, incendiary playing, cleverly-crafted songs and timely lyrical commentary threaded together with a resounding message of unity. ***Rolling Stone*** proclaimed "Warren Haynes' veteran crew brings funk and political skepticism to soaring jams" while ***American Songwriter*** touted the album as "innovative and commanding." ***Guitar World*** called it "as diverse and wide-ranging as anything Warren Haynes has recorded in his prolific career" while ***Salon*** praised the shifts from "Black Sabbath style riffs to Al Green inspired soul to the backwoods of Southern rock and country." **PRESS HERE** to watch the video for "**Dreams & Songs**" which recently premiered via ***Relix***. **Gov't Mule – GRAMMY® Award-winning vocalist, songwriter, guitar legend Warren Haynes** [vocals, guitar], **Matt Abts** [drums], **Danny Louis** [keyboards, guitar, and backing vocals], and **Jorgen Carlsson** [bass] – has galvanized a global fan base with their music, leading them to be recognized as one of the most timeless, revered and active bands in the world whose spot amongst rock titans remains unshakable. Gov't Mule has showcased its virtuosity, intelligence and breadth over the course of 16 studio and live albums, millions



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of album/track sales and streams and thousands of performances. The flexible interplay amongst the band makes them a true living, breathing ensemble. Gov't Mule's vast reservoir of songs has become a human encyclopedia of great American music while adding to that cannon with their signature sound. Celebrated as one of music's most treasured storytellers, Gov't Mule's front man Warren Haynes is lauded as one of the most formidable guitarists and vocalists of the modern era. A cornerstone of the American music landscape, he has brought his artistry to three of the greatest live rock groups – Allman Brothers Band, Gov't Mule and the Dead.

ABOUT THE AVETT BROTHERS:

In 2017, **THE AVETT BROTHERS'** album, *True Sadness* [American Recordings/Republic Records], achieved the group's **highest career debut to date** and dominated multiple charts, arriving at **#1 on Billboard's Top Albums Chart, #1 Top Rock Albums Chart, #1 on the Digital Albums Chart and #3 on Billboard's Top 200 Chart**. The album was also nominated for **Best Americana Album** and **Best American Roots Performance** for "Ain't No Man" by the 2017 Grammy Awards. In addition, the Rick Rubin produced album, *True Sadness* continues to garner overwhelming critical acclaim with many considering it their finest release yet. *Rolling Stone* extolled it as "Their most heart-baring LP," while *Paste* dubbed it, "Their most surprising album." *People* claimed, "The sincerity of the lyrics keeps the boys true to their roots," and *Interview* wrote, "As a whole, *True Sadness* is the band's most intimate and exploratory album to date." This was followed by their recent HBO Documentary *May It Last: A Portrait of The Avett Brothers* which received the SXSW Audience Award, was released in over 300 theaters across the country and was co-directed by Judd Apatow and Michael Bonfiglio. **THE AVETT BROTHERS** made mainstream acclaim with their lauded major label debut, *I and Love and You*. It landed at #16 on the *Billboard* Top 200 and garnered unanimous critical acclaim from *Rolling Stone*, *Paste*, *New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, and *Time*, who even dubbed it one of Top 10 albums of the year. 2012 saw *The Carpenter* hit #4 on the *Billboard* Top 200—their highest bow to date—while *People*, *USA Today*, and *American Songwriter* lauded the album. The group graced the stage of *Jimmy Kimmel LIVE!* twice in merely a few months' time. During the second performance, they invited the Brooklyn Philharmonic Orchestra along to pay homage to Brooklyn with "I and Love and You" as personally requested by Mr. Kimmel. Their eighth studio album, *Maggie and the Dandelion*, went on to debut at #5 on the *Billboard* Top 200, while they performed on *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno* and *The Late Show with David Letterman* as well as joining legendary Soundgarden singer Chris Cornell for a rapturous Pearl Jam tribute on *Late Night with Jimmy Fallon*. 2015 saw them support The Rolling Stones for the first time at the Zip Code Tour in Raleigh. A string of sold out shows followed as the boys continue to dream up their next step.

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