



MYTHBUSTERS LIVE ON JORGENSEN STAGE

FRI, NOV 4, 2016 AT 8 PM

Following the 14-year run of their popular TV series on Discovery Channel, MythBusters Adam Savage and Jamie Hyneman will bring their investigative skills, insatiable curiosity, and a healthy dose of humor to the stage at UConn's Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts on Friday, November 4, for a fantastical evening of on-stage experiments, audience participation, exciting videos, and behind-the-scenes stories. Using elements of the scientific method, the tech-savvy duo will attempt to "confirm" or "bust" such notions as "singing the right note can shatter glass", "it's impossible to herd cats", "gentlemen prefer blonds", and many other popular adages, myths, rumors and urban legends. Doors will open at 7:30 pm. Show starts at 8:00 pm.

Premiering in January of 2003, with its final episode airing in January of 2016, MythBusters evolved to become one of the most highly regarded and watched series on the Discovery Channel. Co-hosted by Hyneman and Savage, the show mixed scientific method with gleeful curiosity and plain old-fashioned ingenuity to create its own signature style of explosive experimentation - and the supporting or de-bunking of urban myths that we live with day-to-day.

Hyneman and Savage first met in 1993 when Savage was building unique props for stage productions in the San Francisco Bay area. Hyneman hired Savage to work with him as a model maker, and they went on to collaborate on more than 100 commercials together -- not to mention the combat robot Blendo, which was removed from Robot Wars competitions in 1995 and 1997 for being too dangerous. (It was subsequently awarded co-champion status in both.)

Years later, when Hyneman was approached by Beyond Productions of Sydney to host MythBusters, he reached out to Savage to join him, feeling that between his experience and Savage's liveliness -- and their straight guy/foil combination -- they would make a good team. It turned out to be a great call, and the rest, as they say, is history.

Today, in addition to executive producing and hosting the MythBusters stage show and other television projects, Hyneman produces a steady flow of innovative products at his company, M5 Industries, as well as in collaboration with the Office of Naval Research, the U.S. Army and several universities. As a result of his innovations, he holds two honorary doctorates and several patents in areas ranging from electro mechanical products to solar energy collection and ultra-efficient armor.

In addition to making appearances for MythBusters, Savage currently teaches, lectures and consults on a variety of topics to students, business folks and everyday Joes. Somehow he also finds time to devote to his own art -- his sculptures, which have been showcased in more than 40 shows from San Francisco to New York.

This year Jorgensen was voted Best College or University Performing Arts Center in the Hartford Courant's CTNow, as well as Connecticut Magazine's Best of Performing Arts Venues (College) for 2016. Established in December of 1955, Jorgensen has grown to become the largest college-based presenting program in New England. Each season Jorgensen enriches the lives of students, faculty, staff, and area residents with 30 to 35 diverse performances from nationally and internationally acclaimed artists and ensembles ranging from classical music to world music and dance, classical ballet and contemporary dance, comedy, family programming, and contemporary entertainment. Dedicated to University of Connecticut

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Entertainment Event

Mythbusters

Date

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Place

Jorgensen Center
for the Performing Arts
2132 Hillside Road
UConn campus, Storrs, CT

Tickets

\$30-\$35

Box Office

860.486.4226
Mon-Fri, 10 am-5 pm

The Box Office window is also open for walk-up ticket sales 90 minutes before showtime.

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president Albert N. Jorgensen, Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts continues to follow his vision of the University as the state's educational and cultural leader.

Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts is located at 2132 Hillside Road on the UConn campus in Storrs. Tickets are available now online. Prices are: Floor Seats - \$35; Mezzanine - \$35; Balcony - \$30; Students & Youth Under 18 - All seats \$25.

For tickets and information, call the Box Office at 860.486.4226, Monday through Friday, 10 am - 5 pm, and 90 minutes prior to events, or order online at jorgensen.uconn.edu. Convenient \$5 event parking is available in the North Garage. Free parking is available in Lots 9, F, and L. For a detailed parking map, go to park.uconn.edu.

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