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# Mannheim Steamroller returns

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MANNHEIM STEAMROLLER

*Christmas*

BY CHIP DAVIS

**Best Selling Christmas Artist of all Time  
Record-Setting Tour Adds Second Performance to  
Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts Schedule**

**This fall, Chip Davis, founder and creator of Mannheim Steamroller, will celebrate the 35th anniversary of his annual Christmas concert tour, making it the longest running consecutive concert tour in the entertainment industry. For the first time ever, hear the entire album that started it all, LIVE – Mannheim Steamroller Christmas.**

Kansas City, MO – By popular demand, a second Mannheim Steamroller Christmas performance has been added to the Kansas City engagement. Tickets for the newly added 3:30 p.m. matinee on Sunday, November 24 will go on sale to the public Friday, September 13 at 10 a.m. Tickets are available through the Kauffman Center Box Office at (816) 994-7222 or online at [kauffmancenter.org](http://kauffmancenter.org).

“I remember when I came out with my first Christmas album in 1984 followed by our first tour. Back then, many in the music industry said focusing on Christmas just wouldn’t work,” said founder Chip Davis. “Now, 35 years later, we are still going

strong. I want to thank our fans for making us part of their holiday tradition. Today, we often see multi-generational families join us during the holidays each year.”

Davis founded his own record label, American Gramophone, which went on to become one of the industry’s largest independent record labels. A GRAMMY Award-winner, Mannheim Steamroller has sold more than 40 million albums, with 29 million in the Christmas genre. Their holiday CDs have become synonymous with Christmas and occupy top positions on Billboard’s seasonal chart every year.

This year’s show will feature the original classic Christmas hits from the first *Mannheim Steamroller Christmas* along with multimedia effects in an intimate setting. Davis will direct and co-produce tour performances with MagicSpace Entertainment.

*Mannheim Steamroller Christmas* by Chip Davis is co-produced by MagicSpace Entertainment. The company is headed by Lee D. Marshall, Joe Marsh, John Ballard, and Steve Boulay and has been producing and presenting national tours, Broadway shows, concerts and museum exhibits worldwide for more than 35 years. They have an office in Park City, UT. [www.magicspace.net](http://www.magicspace.net)

## **ABOUT CHIP DAVIS AND MANNHEIM STEAMROLLER**

From his longtime home in Omaha, Nebraska, Mannheim Steamroller creator and founder Chip Davis makes innovative music inspired by the sounds of another age. This former teacher and jingle writer founded what is now the music industry’s largest independent recording label, American Gramophone, in 1974 when industry executives said Davis’ innovative 18th century instrumental rock sound would never sell. In addition to his GRAMMY Award recognition, Davis is largely credited with establishing the New Age music category.

His first Christmas album in 1984 revolutionized the making and marketing of holiday music. The album’s success made

Christmas records a “must do” for all music artists. With more than 29 million Christmas albums sold, Davis is the No.1 selling Christmas artist of all time, with Elvis coming in at a distant 17 million holiday records sold. Having 19 gold, eight multi-platinum and four platinum-certified records, Davis is among an elite group of music artists with this number of RIAA records. He is also one of the most successful entrepreneurs in the music industry, offering a rich array of lifestyle products on [www.mannheimsteamroller.com](http://www.mannheimsteamroller.com) including hot chocolate, food, apparel, and novelty items. His latest achievement is the creation of cutting-edge psychoacoustic technology that is being used in major medical institutions such as Mayo Clinic.

For more information and a complete list of tour dates, visit: <http://www.mannheimsteamroller.com/2019-mannheim-steamroller-tour/>

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Through educational outreach programs and community

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