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**Domingo's Name
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Plácido Domingo's name has been removed from the Washington National Opera's young artist program "in light of recent developments," the opera house announced Tuesday after an investigation found the tenor had sexually harassed women at the company. Domingo was the leading figure at the opera from 1996-2011 as artistic director and later general director. He created the young artists program in 2002.

— The Associated Press

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**Grass Roots
Show People
How to 'Live
For Today'**

The Grass Roots delivered an upbeat concert at Savannah Center on Tuesday night.

By **KRISTEN FIORE**
Daily Sun Senior Writer

Hundreds of people were chanting "Sooner or later, love is gonna get ya," Tuesday at Savannah Center during The Grass Roots' concert.

The group truly brought in the spirit of the '60s and '70s.

Rocky & the Rollers warmed up the audience and opened the show with colorful renditions of hits like "Hitchin' a Ride," "I'll Be Around" and "Build Me Up Buttercup."

"Tonight is one of my favorite groups," said Rocky & the Rollers leader Gerry "Rocky" Seader. "I actually bought every one of their albums and every one of their 45s."

The Grass Roots opened their set with "I'd Wait a Million Years" and went on to perform other hits like "Don't Pull Your Love," "Heaven Knows" and "Love

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Dusty Hanvey, guitarist for The Grass Roots, performs with bandmates at Savannah Center.

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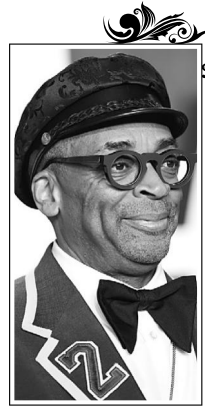
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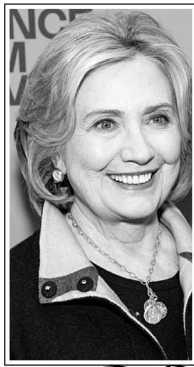
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CELEBRITY SPOTLIGHT



SPIKE LEE

The Oscar-winning writer-director told ESPN on Tuesday he wouldn't be attending another Knicks home game this season after a disagreement with Madison Square Garden officials over which elevator he could use.



HILLARY CLINTON

Clinton continues her return to the public eye in the form of a new four-hour documentary series. Nanette Burstein's "Hillary," which debuts Friday on Hulu, lets Clinton tell the story of a life that, she feels, has often been distorted.



JILL SCOTT

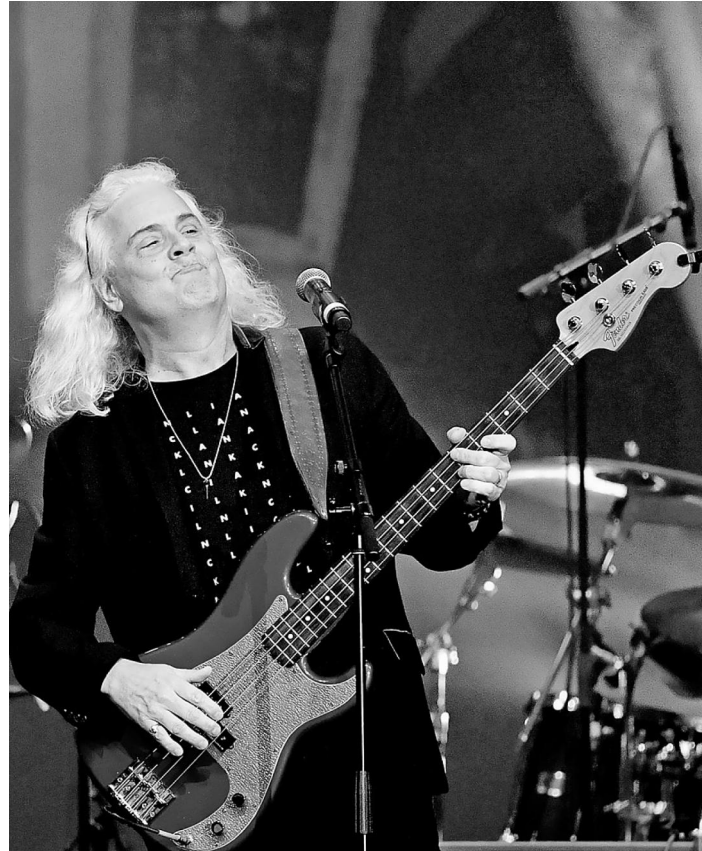
The three-time Grammy winner marks the 20th anniversary of her debut album, "Who Is Jill Scott? Words and Sounds Vol. 1," with a national tour. D-Nice will perform as a special guest. Tickets go on sale 10 a.m. Friday.

NEW YORK

John Bolton's Publisher Pushes Back Release Of Contested Book

The publisher of John Bolton's highly anticipated memoir has pushed back the release date from March 17 to mid-May. Simon & Schuster cited the ongoing government security review of the former national security adviser's "The Room Where It Happened." The new date is May 12, the publisher said in a news release. "The new date reflects the fact that the government review of the work is ongoing," the release said.

— The Associated Press



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Mark Dawson, bass guitarist for The Grass Roots, performs with bandmates at the Savannah Center

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Grows (Where My Rosemary Goes)."

"This is going to be fun tonight," said guitarist and vocalist Mark Dawson at the beginning of the show. "And probably a little bit weird. Things tend to get weird when we're around people."

The band had an upbeat energy and a friendly stage presence.

Dawson encouraged the audience to sing along.

"We're looking for some back-up singers to take on the road with us," he said. "This would be a good place to start our search."

Most of the audience obliged.

"We're taking you all on the tour bus with us," Dawson said after "Sooner or Later." "As soon as we can afford a tour bus."

Carol and Lynn Gildea, of the Village of Bridgeport at Creekside Landing, came to the show because Carol is a

big Grass Roots fan.

"I like the nostalgia of it," she said of the group's music. "It brings back our high school years."

Duff and Becky Campbell, of the Village of Duval, had a similar sentiment.

"It's just our vintage," Duff said. "It's what we grew up with in the '60s and '70s. We really like that genre and that time period."

At one point in the show, guitarist Dusty Hanvey asked to put the house lights on so he could see all of the veterans in the audience and thank them for their service.

He especially wanted to thank the Vietnam veterans, who he said were the only soldiers who came home after a war and didn't get a proper welcome home.

For them, the band played "Let's Live for Today."

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Recording Academy Fires Ousted CEO, Citing Investigations

The Associated Press

The Recording Academy on Monday fired Deborah Dugan, its former president who called into question the integrity of the Grammy Awards nominations process and said she was sexually harassed by a top lawyer for the organization, which she called

a boys' club that coddled and favored powerful men.

The academy said the decision was reached after "two exhaustive, costly independent investigations" about Dugan and her allegations. It said the reviews found "consistent management deficiencies and failures," though no specifics were offered.

Dugan had been on administrative leave since mid-January,

when she was ousted after a complaint of mistreatment from a longtime Recording Academy employee, which the academy said Monday was one of multiple complaints from people across the organization. Dugan had raised several issues about the way the organization ran and accused its top lawyers of acting inappropriately toward her during a business meeting.

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