

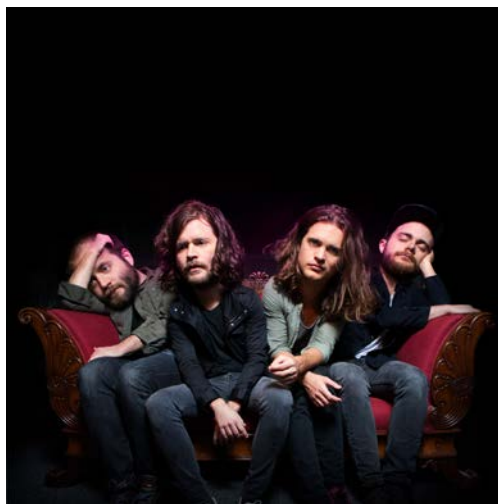


KONGOS and The Strumbellas to Co-Headline “Pandora Presents” Concert Event at Music Biz 2016 in Nashville

April 26, 2016 – The Music Business Association (Music Biz) has announced that Platinum-selling Alternative Rock band **KONGOS** and JUNO Award-winning Alternative Country band **The Strumbellas** will co-headline “Pandora Presents,” a night of live music at The Cannery Ballroom on Monday, May 16. Doors will open at 8:30 p.m. CT, with The Strumbellas taking the stage at 9 p.m. and KONGOS following at 10 p.m. The event will be open to all Music Biz 2016 convention attendees.

“We’re thrilled to partner with Pandora on this can’t-miss show that will bring these two very talented bands to our convention,” said James Donio, President of Music Biz. “KONGOS has already reached Platinum status with their smash single, ‘Come with Me Now,’ and are primed for even bigger success with their upcoming record, *Egomaniac*. The Strumbellas racked up six awards in their native Canada for *We Still Move on Dance Floors*, and are set to invade America with their next album, *Hope*.”

“Both KONGOS and The Strumbellas have huge followings on Pandora, and we’re happy to have the opportunity to present them at Music Biz 2016,” said Lars Murray, SVP of Pandora’s Music Makers Group. “Pandora’s mission is to help artists translate success on our platform to success in the mainstream, and there’s no better way to do that than to put them in front of the industry movers and shakers who can help them reach the next level.”



KONGOS

KONGOS is a South African-born American Alternative Rock band consisting of four brothers: Johnny, Jesse, Daniel, and Dylan Kongos – sons of recording artist John Kongos. Their 2014 album, *Lunatic*, spawned the Platinum single “Come with Me Now,” which also reached #1 on the Billboard Alternative Songs Charts. The band released their latest single, “Take It from Me,” on April 15, and are set to release their new album, *Egomaniac*, on June 10.



The Strumbellas

Hailing from Lindsay, Ontario, The Strumbellas have been blazing a path of success through their native Canada since 2009. Their critically acclaimed 2014 album, *We Still Move on Dance Floors*, won that year’s JUNO Award for Roots & Traditional Album of the Year by a Group, one of a long stream of accolades that also includes the SiriusXM Indies Award for Folk Group of the Year, the Ottawa Folk Festival’s Supernova Rising Star Award, the Canadian Folk Music Award for Contemporary Album of the Year, and CBC Music’s Rising Star Award. Their new album, *Hope*, was released on April 22, featuring the single “Spirits.”

Music Biz 2016, which will return to Nashville from May 16-18, is the music industry’s premier event, giving the commerce and content sectors a place to meet with trading partners, network with new companies, and learn about new trends and products impacting the music business. Registration is open now. For more information or to sign up for the conference, visit www.musicbiz2016.com.

About the Music Business Association

The Music Business Association (Music Biz) is a membership organization that advances and promotes music commerce — a community committed to the full spectrum of monetization models in the industry. It provides common ground by offering thought leadership, resources and unparalleled networking opportunities, all geared to the specific needs of its membership. Music Biz brings a unique perspective and valuable insight into the trends and changes that innovation brings. Today, we put our collective experience to work across all delivery models: physical, digital, mobile, and more. Music Biz and its members are committed to building the future of music commerce — together.

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