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# Starlight



## Ben Rector Performs at Starlight Theatre May 7



Ben Rector will bring *The Joy of Music: Live Tour* Saturday, May 7, 2022, as part of the 2022 Capitol Federal Concert Series.

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Indie hitmaker **Ben Rector** is ready to live his best life returning to the road with his upcoming tour, **THE JOY OF MUSIC: LIVE**, including a night in Kansas City to play at Starlight Theatre **Saturday, May 7, 2022**. The “millennial playlist staple” (*HuffPost*) will perform music off his upcoming album, “The Joy of Music,” as well as fan favorites including “Brand New,” “Love Like This,” and more. Rector will be joined by special guests including JP Saxe, Jake Scott, Jordy Searcy and Stephen Day.

“I think this album is my best work and I’m so excited to perform it live,” said Rector.

Tickets will go on sale to the public **Friday, February 4** at 10 a.m. Official presales will begin Tuesday, February 1 at 12 p.m. All tickets can be purchased at [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com). Patrons may enter their presale password in the promo code box. Once the password has been validated, purchase options will appear.

Tickets to Ben Rector range from \$39.50 - \$69.50 plus applicable fees. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Starlight Theatre Ticket Office at (816) 363-7827, or by visiting [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com). The show will begin at 7:00 p.m., and gates will open at 6:00 p.m.

Ben Rector comes to Starlight as part of the 2022 Capital Federal Concert Series. Please note that [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com) is the only official ticket source for all shows at Starlight. If you purchase tickets from another website or ticket broker, we cannot guarantee those tickets are legitimate.

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## About Ben Rector

Rector rang in the new year by “giving fans a tease of his feel-good album” (*E! Online*) with an early release of the three tracks. “Dream On,” “Supernatural”—featuring GRAMMY® Award-winner Dave Koz—and “Living My Best Life” share a taste of what’s to come on his highly anticipated album, “The Joy of Music,” scheduled to be released on March 11, 2022. The album will include additional collaborations with award-winning rapper Snoop Dogg, iconic jazz musician Kenny G, Taylor Goldsmith from folk-rock band Dawes, as well as the YouTube sensation One Voice Children’s Choir.

Growing up in Tulsa, OK, Rector never expected to find himself immersed in the music scene. Though he spent his childhood learning piano and eventually picking up guitar in his teen years as he made the transition to singing and songwriting, Rector was not truly serious about his music until he studied at the University of Arkansas. It was there that Rector released his first self-titled EP, launching his music career as he began playing live shows. By the time he graduated, Rector had released two full-length albums and was ready to make the move to Nashville in order to dive head-first into the music industry.

Now, Rector has made a name for himself as both an artist and songwriter. He’s released seven studio albums, including “Brand New” (2015) which peaked in the Top 10 on the Billboard 200 and “Magic” (2018) which debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard Americana/Folk Albums chart. When the pandemic hit, Rector took the time to pour into his music as much as possible and has since announced his upcoming album, “The Joy of Music.”

## 2022 Capitol Federal Concert Series

Each spring and summer, Starlight brings award-winning artists from a wide range of genres to its stage. Below are the concerts that have been announced to date. Additional performances will be announced throughout the 2022 season. For the most up-to-date concert information, sign up for our email list at [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com).

- May 7, 2022—Ben Rector / Gate Time: 6 p.m. / Show Time: 7 p.m.
- June 1, 2022—AJR / Gate Time: 6:30 p.m. / Show Time: 7:30 p.m.
- June 4, 2022—HAIM / Gate Time: 7 p.m. / Show Time: 8 p.m.
- June 13, 2022—Rex Orange County / Gate Time: 7 p.m. / Show Time: 8 p.m.
- June 14, 2022—REO Speedwagon & Styx / Gate Time: 6 p.m. / Show Time: 6:45 p.m.
- June 15, 2022—Bon Iver / Gate Time: 6 p.m. / Show Time: 7:15 p.m.
- June 20, 2022—Chicago & Brian Wilson / Gate Time: 6:30 p.m. / Show Time: 7:30 p.m.
- June 21, 2022—Matchbox Twenty / Gate Time: 6 p.m. / Show Time: 7:30 p.m.
- June 29, 2022—Barenaked Ladies / Gate Time: 6 p.m. / Show Time: 7:30 p.m.
- August 1, 2022—Goo Goo Dolls / Gate Time: 6 p.m. / Show Time: 7 p.m.
- August 7, 2022—David Gray / Gate Time: 7 p.m. / Show Time: 8 p.m.
- August 24, 2022—Alicia Keys / Gate Time: 7 p.m. / Show Time: 8 p.m.
- August 29, 2022—Jack White / Gate Time: 6:30 p.m. / Show Time: 8 p.m.

Interested in season tickets to the 2022 Capitol Federal Concert Series? Contact Jeff Miller, Concert Sponsorship & VIP Sales Manager, at [jeff.miller@kcstarlight.com](mailto:jeff.miller@kcstarlight.com) or by calling (816) 997-1124. VIP Concert Season Tickets include access to the best seats, reserved parking, early entrance and

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exclusive access to the VIP Club on concert nights.

### **Safety Protocols**

Staying safe is Starlight's priority. Stay up-to-date on Starlight's safety protocols on Starlight's Staying Safe webpage, [kcstarlight.com/visit-starlight/staying-safe](https://kcstarlight.com/visit-starlight/staying-safe).

### **About Starlight**

Opened as a theatre in 1950 and a nonprofit organization in 1951, Starlight is the largest and oldest performing arts institution in Kansas City and provides inspiring, one-of-a-kind experiences to its patrons. Starlight presents and produces Broadway musicals, concerts and indoors shows in addition to offering extensive community engagement programming, including classes, scholarships and Starlight's Blue Star Awards, one of the largest high school musical theatre award programs in the nation.

Located on 16 acres in Swope Park, Starlight's historic, city-owned venue is the second-largest outdoor producing theatre in the country and includes rehearsal halls, a museum, club area for dining, concessions, gardens, fountains and a 10-story, climate-controlled stage. For more information, visit [kcstarlight.com](https://kcstarlight.com).

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