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“WEIRD AL” YANKOVIC
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Lowell Memorial Auditorium

-Tickets on sale Monday, December 19 at 10:00AM-

Lowell, MA - Mill City Management Presents “Weird Al” Yankovic at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium on Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 7:30PM. Tickets are on sale now. Tickets can be purchased in person at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium box office located at 50 East Merrimack Street in Lowell, by calling the box office at (978) 454-2299 or online at www.lowellauditorium.com.

The foremost song parodist of the MTV era, "Weird Al" Yankovic carried the torch of musical humor more proudly and more successfully than any performer since Allan Sherman. In the world of novelty records -- a genre noted for its extensive back catalog of flashes-in-the-pan and one-hit wonders -- Yankovic was king, scoring smash after smash over the course of an enduring career which found him topically mocking everything from new wave to gangsta rap.

After an extended period of silence, he returned in 1992 with *Off the Deep End*, which featured the Top 40 hit "Smells Like Nirvana," a send-up of Nirvana's landmark single "Smells Like Teen Spirit." After 1993's *Alapalooza*, he resurfaced in 1996 with *Bad Hair Day*, his highest-charting record to date thanks to the success of the single "Amish Paradise," a takeoff of the Coolio hit "Gangsta's Paradise." The follow-up, *Running with Scissors*, appeared in 1999, with *Poodle Hat* landing in 2003. *Straight Outta Lynwood* appeared in 2006 with the single "White & Nerdy," a suburban parody of Chamillionaire's hit "Ridin." Yankovic's thirteenth studio album, *Alpocalypse*, skewered the likes of Lady Gaga ("Perform This Way") and Miley Cyrus ("Party in the CIA"). The *Alpocalypse* arrived on June 21, 2011.

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