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Five-Time Grammy Award Winner Angélique Kidjo Brings Her Electrifying Global Sound to the Flynn



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BURLINGTON, VT — The Flynn is proud to present **Angélique Kidjo** on **Friday, August 21, 2026, at 7:30 pm** on the Flynn Main Stage. One of the world's most celebrated performers, Kidjo's singular artistry blends the traditions of West Africa with jazz, funk, R&B, Latin music, and pop, creating an exhilarating live experience that has captivated audiences across the globe.

Tickets are on sale now. Purchase tickets only at www.flynnvt.org.

A native of Benin, Angélique Kidjo has spent more than four decades redefining contemporary African music while becoming one of the most influential voices in world music. Renowned for her powerhouse vocals, magnetic stage presence, and fearless musical exploration, Kidjo seamlessly bridges cultures and generations through performances that celebrate unity, resilience, and joy.

The recipient of five Grammy Awards, Kidjo has released more than a dozen acclaimed albums and collaborated with an extraordinary range of artists, including Alicia Keys, Burna Boy, Philip Glass, Carlos Santana, Yo-Yo Ma, Sting, and Bono. Her groundbreaking interpretations of classic works—including her Grammy Award-winning reimaginings of Talking Heads' *Remain in Light* and the music of Celia Cruz—have earned widespread critical acclaim while introducing beloved music to new audiences through an African lens.

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"At the Flynn, we believe the arts create spaces where communities can gather, listen, and imagine together," said Flynn Executive Director, Jay Wahl. "Angélique Kidjo reminds us that hope is not passive; it's something we create together. Her extraordinary artistry, generosity, and belief in our shared humanity make her exactly the kind of artist we're proud to welcome to Vermont."

Beyond the stage, Kidjo is an internationally recognized humanitarian and advocate for education and gender equality. She serves as a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador and founded the Batonga Foundation, an organization dedicated to empowering adolescent girls in sub-Saharan Africa through education and leadership opportunities. In recognition of her artistic achievements and humanitarian work, she has been named one of *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential People and has received numerous international honors.

Known for performances that are as uplifting as they are musically adventurous, Kidjo's concerts transform audiences into active participants, inviting them into a joyous celebration of rhythm, culture, and connection. Whether performing beloved classics or music from her expansive catalog, Kidjo delivers an unforgettable evening that reflects the boundless spirit of one of today's most dynamic global artists.

Event Details

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