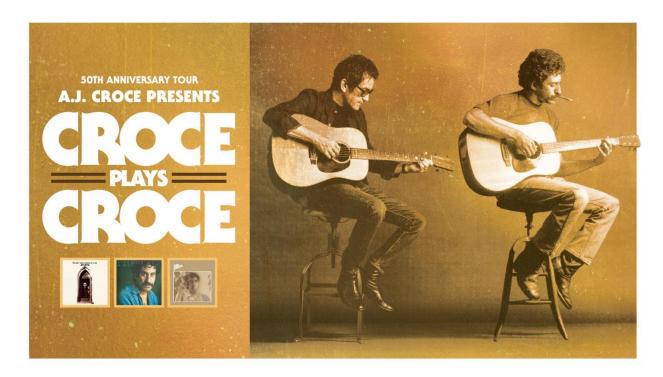
# SINGER/SONGWRITER A.J. CROCE ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL TOUR DATES FOR 2024

CROCE PLAYS CROCE 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR

CELEBRATING THREE CLASSIC JIM CROCE ALBUMS
'YOU DON'T MESS AROUND WITH JIM' + 'LIFE and TIMES' + 'I GOT A NAME'



## 2024 Shows Will Expand Upon Sold-Out Anniversary Tour

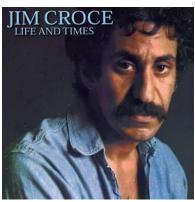
"He's connecting the dots between father and son, who despite never really knowing one another shared a musical bond." - Arizona Daily Star

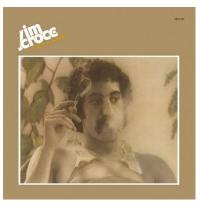
# Four Winds Casino's Silver Creek Event Center Show Tickets On-Sale Friday, April 26 at 10 a.m. Eastern

Nashville, TN – April, 23, 2024 – Multi-faceted singer/songwriter A.J. Croce is hitting the road again in celebration of two more of his father Jim Croce's legendary albums, 1973's *Life and Times* and his final release, *I Got A Name*, in addition to songs from *You Don't Mess Around With Jim*. He will perform at Four Winds New Buffalo's Silver Creek® Event Center on Friday, September 6, 2024, at 9 p.m. Eastern. Ticket prices for the show start at \$39, plus applicable fees, and can be purchased online at <a href="Ticketmaster">Ticketmaster</a> beginning on Friday, April 26 at 10 a.m. Eastern. Hotel rooms are available on the night of the concert and can be purchased with event tickets.

The **Croce Plays Croce 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** show features a legendary band (including drummer Gary Mallaber, bassist David Barard, guitar/violin James Pennebaker) and a moving multi-media presentation accompanying Jim's songs (which on the previous tour included memorable hits, "Operator (That's Not the Way It Feels)", "Time in a Bottle," and others). It was fan-demand for more, and the camaraderie that A.J. felt with the audience, the players, and the connection to his father's timeless music that inspired A.J. to embark on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary tour for 2024. "The audience reaction has been so great," says A.J. "The shows we did last year were not only met with a huge response, but I learned so much about what works and what resonates, we knew we had to keep going."







During last year's raved-about performances, A.J. shared intimate aspects of his dad's career. He also drew praise for his own style and musicianship (he's known for one of the most unique keyboard styles in music) as well as his sensitive insight into Jim Croce's enduring musical canon. While Jim Croce's indelible music catalog still resonates on classic radio, streaming platforms, and more recently on hit films and TV shows like *Django Unchained* and *Stranger Things*, it is A.J.s unique showmanship that has helped enliven Jim's amazing legacy. One reviewer aptly noted: '...A.J. Croce invites the sold-out crowds into his father's worldview and work mindset, culminating in the playing of Jim Croce tunes...making for an intimate experience riddled with wryness and humor...'

The two Jim Croce albums that turned 50 in 2023 are considered among Croce's finest, with *Life and Times*, originally released in January of 1973, delivering the gamechanging hit "Bad, Bad Leroy Brown," which became the Songwriter's Hall Of Fame inductee's calling card, hitting #1 on Billboard's Hot 100, and ranked as the #2 song for all of 1973. *I Got A Name* was his final studio album (and the first posthumous release by Jim), with the title song being released the day after his tragic plane crash which occurred on September 20, 1973. The album also featured the smash hit ballad "I'll Have to Say I Love You In A Song," and "Workin' At The Car Wash Blues," among others.

Fans and critics who attended last year's **50**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Celebration** shows are thrilled that A.J. is readying another affectionate interpretation of his father's enduring legacy. The shows have renewed interest in Jim Croce and garnered praise for A.J: "I think they come as a Jim Croce fan but also leave as fans of mine. -That's something that has also made this whole experience really amazing."

#### **CROCE PLAYS CROCE 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR**

For a complete schedule of 2024 dates, visit https://www.ajcrocemusic.com

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