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Cyndi Lauper brings her national Memphis Blues tour to the Oregon Zoo summer concert series on Wednesday, Sept. 1

Pop Icon Closes Summer Concerts

Cyndi Lauper final act in zoo series

The Oregon Zoo summer concert series, presented by NW Natural, ends with a fun-filled performance Wednesday, Sept. 1, when Cyndi Lauper takes the stage as part of her national Memphis Blues tour.

Lauper burst onto the music scene in 1984 with her instant hit "Girls Just Want to Have Fun," and has

since been wowing fans and critics alike. She became the first female artist in history to have five Top 10 singles from a debut album with "She's So Unusual," and she has been nominated for 13 Grammys, two Emmys, two American Music Awards, seven American Video Awards and 18 MTV Awards.

"After more than 25 years, Lauper's music is still fresh and exciting," said Krista Swan, the zoo's event coordinator. "This Memphis

Blues tour will introduce fans to a whole new side of Cyndi."

Blues-harp legend Charlie Musselwhite will open for Lauper. Musselwhite, largely credited with inspiring Dan Aykroyd's Elwood character in the Blues Brothers, is a harmonica virtuoso with 26 albums and more than 40 years of performing.

Tickets can be purchased at the Oregon Zoo for \$27 each. Tickets can also be purchased at all Ticketmaster ticket outlets.

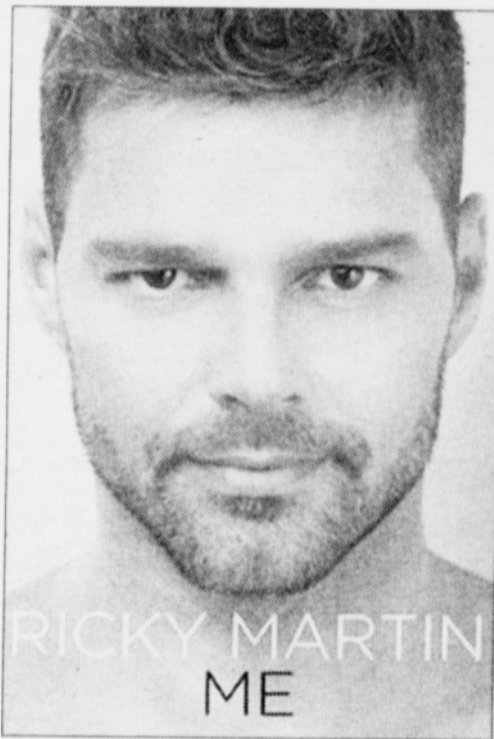
Ricky Martin Story Titled

Ricky Martin has picked an appropriate title for his autobiography: "Me."

The Puerto Rican singer is set to release his memoir on Nov. 2. It will also be released in Spanish the same day. That edition will be titled "Yo," which is Spanish for "I" and "me."

Martin has said that preparing to write the book was one of the reasons he decided to reveal earlier this year that he is gay.

Martin said in a statement Thursday that the project led him to extract memories that he had erased from his mind. He says the book was not easy but allowed for an "incredible spiritual journey."



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