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## Laugh Factory to Host 3<sup>rd</sup> Comedy Fundraiser for The Midnight Mission's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Nowruz

The Midnight Mission is partnering with Laugh Factory owner, Jamie Masada, to host our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Nowruz Comedy Night Fundraiser for our 12<sup>th</sup> annual celebration of Nowruz, the Persian New Year. The event will be LIVE from the Laugh Factory, Hollywood, on Monday, **March 20, 2023**, from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm PST.

The comedic line-up includes Maz Jobrani, Alonzo Bodden, Melissa Shoshahi, Chris Bader, Dan Ahdoot with Tehran Von Ghasri hosting the event. Special guests will be announced closer to the event. ALL comedians are available for interviews before the event.

The Laugh Factory brings the hottest, most diverse talent to the stage. Everything people love about the Laugh Factory - the hilarious comedians, the inclusive vibe, the fantastic music, and the trendy ambiance is available to you, and it will benefit The Midnight Mission.

We wish to thank our generous partner, the Laugh Factory, for hosting this extraordinary event. Thank you to our Diamond Sponsor Temecula Hyundai, Gold Sponsors; Abbas and Fatemeh Satrap, Rancho Park Rotary Club Foundation, Rotary Club of Beverly Hills, and Van Nuys Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, Sketchers, and our Silver Sponsor the Razi Family Foundation.

Since 2012, The Iranian American Community has played a meaningful role in helping the vulnerable community of Los Angeles in honor of Nowruz. Nowruz coincides with the first day of Spring, however, it is less about a single day than a commemoration of being able to wipe away the dust, grime, and sadness to start anew. The Midnight Mission embodies the spirit of Nowruz year-round and has been a source of revival and renewal for the homeless population of Los Angeles since 1914. The Iranian American Community and The Midnight Mission and are inviting you to join us (in-person or virtually) to our 3rd Annual Nowruz Comedy Night Fundraiser LIVE at The World-Famous Laugh Factory in Hollywood. The hope of being able to start new, restored, *and with laughter*, is the focus of this charitable Nowruz event. We will be raising much-needed funding for the unhoused community in downtown Los Angeles.

Ticket prices are available from \$20 (virtual) -\$75 - \$350 (in person). To donate, sponsor or purchase tickets for the show, please visit https://www.midnightmission.org/Nowruz/

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**About The Midnight Mission:** Founded in 1914, The Midnight Mission offers paths to self-sufficiency to individuals and families who have lost direction. Our emergency services and 12-step recovery, family living, job training, education and workforce development programs offer a compassionate bridge to achieve and maintain healthy, productive lives. We remove obstacles and provide the accountability and structure that people who are experiencing homelessness need to be productive in their communities. Our conviction and commitment to their success define us. For additional information, please visit <u>www.midnightmission.org</u>.