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## **Eddie Vedder Joins Concert Across America to End Gun Violence Show in Manhattan on September 25**

*Pearl Jam lead singer, guitarist and ukuleleist joins Jackson Browne, Rosanne Cash, Marc Cohn, and Vy Higginsen's Gospel Choir of Harlem at Beacon Theatre Show*

New York, NY (Sept. 13, 2016) – Organizers of the Concert Across America to End Gun Violence today announced that Eddie Vedder of Pearl Jam has joined the lineup for the nationwide concert's headliner event at New York's Beacon Theatre on September 25 – the Congressionally-designated date to remember murder victims. Vedder will take the stage with previously announced artists Jackson Browne, Rosanne Cash, Marc Cohn and Vy Higginsen's Gospel Choir of Harlem.

Tickets are on sale at <http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/3B005106BA741DB9> and all Ticketmaster locations.

The Beacon Theatre is among 250 venues nationwide where more than 1,000 artists will lend their voices and mobilize to make the country's epidemic of gun violence a voting issue in the November elections. Spearheaded by Massachusetts-based Stop Handgun Violence (SHV) partnering with Faiths United to Prevent Gun Violence and dozens of other organizations, the Concert Across America to End Gun Violence will feature performances at a diverse array of venues ranging from churches and school gymnasiums to honky-tonks, theatres and hotel rooftops.

From The Rooftop at The Standard, Downtown LA in Los Angeles, and Lola's Trailer Park in Fort Worth, TX, to the Brighton Music Hall in Boston and the Arlington Theatre in Santa Barbara, CA, artists will give voice to the more than five hundred thousand Americans murdered by a firearm since the mass shooting at the University of Texas on Aug. 1, 1966. "Every day in America over 90 people die and 200 are injured from largely preventable gun violence. It's time we all take a stand against the epidemic of gun violence and hold our elected officials accountable. This coast-to-coast concert and mobilizing effort will ensure

that gun violence prevention is front and center in the November elections and beyond,” SHV Founder John Rosenthal said.

Visit [www.ConcertAcrossAmerica.org](http://www.ConcertAcrossAmerica.org) for more information. #ConcertAcrossAmerica to #EndGunViolence.

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***About the Concert Across America.*** This nationwide event will bring together a network of organizations, activists, and artists with the dual goals of keeping guns out of dangerous hands and making the issue of gun violence prevention top of mind for members of Congress, the presidential candidates, and the American people as they go to the polls in November 2016. For more information, visit [www.concertacrossamerica.org](http://www.concertacrossamerica.org).

***Stop Handgun Violence (SHV)*** is a Massachusetts-based non-profit organization committed to the prevention of gun violence through education, public awareness, effective law enforcement, and common sense gun laws. SHV has been the lead advocate in Massachusetts for enactment of some of the most effective gun violence prevention laws and of first-in-the-nation consumer protection regulations, which have helped reduce gun deaths in the Commonwealth. The organization does not seek to restrict Constitutional rights but advocates only for common sense legislation that will help save lives. For more information, go to [www.stophandgunviolence.org](http://www.stophandgunviolence.org).