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Hot Tuna & Little Feat Live at the Warner Theatre

TORRINGTON, CT – Premier Concerts along with Ridgefield Playhouse presents a magical and eclectic evening of blues, rock, folk, jazz, funk and boogie when *Hot Tuna & Little Feat* come to the Warner Theatre on Friday, August 21 at 7:30pm.

Hot Tuna, an American blues-rock band began as an off shoot of the band Jefferson Airplane. Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Casady, former members of Jefferson Airplane, formed their own band, Hot Tuna and began opening for Jefferson Airplane, giving Kaukonen and Casady an opportunity to explore their love of traditional blues music. As Jefferson Airplane slowly wound down in the early 1970s, Hot Tuna -- for whom live performance was always of prime importance -- became an independent group. No one has more consistently led American music for the last 50 years -- than Jorma Kaukonen and Jack Casady, the founders and continuing core members of Hot Tuna.

Joining *Hot Tuna* is the American rock band, *Little Feat*. Formed in 1969 by former Frank Zappa sidemen Lowell George and Roy Estrada, Little Feat married the twang of Southern rock with the shuffling rhythms of bayou music and sweaty, sultry delivery of electric blues. With hits like *Dixie Chicken*, *Times Loves a Hero* and *Sailin' Shoes* "the Feat" don't fail ya live!

Tickets for the performance are: \$44.50, \$49.50, \$74.50. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Warner Theatre box office at 860-489-7180 or buy online at www.warnertheatre.org

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About the Warner Built by Warner Brothers Studios in 1931 as a movie palace, the Warner Theatre was described then as "Connecticut's Most Beautiful Theatre." Damaged extensively in the 1955 flood, the Warner was slated for demolition in the early 1980s until the non-profit Northwest Connecticut Association for the Arts (NCAA) was founded and purchased the theatre. The Warner reopened as a performing arts center in 1983 and restoration was completed in November 2002.

Today, the Warner is in operation year-round and serves nearly 100,000 patrons with 165+ public performances annually. In addition, the Warner complex now includes:

- The newly opened 50,000+ square foot, Carole and Ray Neag Performing Arts Center (300 - seat theatre, lobby, school for the arts and 200 - seat restaurant/pub)
- The 1,772 - seat main theatre
- A 21,000 square foot facility that houses a 7,500 square foot costume shop and prop/production storage
- A 2,400+ square foot Set/Prop Shop

NCAA's mission is to preserve the Warner Theatre as an historic landmark, enhance its reputation as a center of artistic excellence and a focal point of community involvement, and satisfy the diverse cultural needs of the region. To learn more about the Warner Theatre, visit our website: www.warnertheatre.org.