

## British American Crossover Star Added to Christ Fest 2017 Playlist:

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*Mormon Tabernacle Choir Member, Alex Boye will perform Sept. 9; Boye led Top European Boy Band 'Awesome' – Performed with George Michael before Committing his talents entirely to Contemporary Christian music. Garden Grove, Calif., (Aug. 29, 2017) –* Another top name in contemporary Christian music has been added to the roster of international performers scheduled to play Sept. 8 and 9 on the 35-acre Christ Cathedral campus. Joining South American music sensation, SIERVAS, Puerto Rico's SonBy4 and Christian chart-topper Mac Powell from Third Day, Alex Boye will add his immense talents to Saturday's rich menu of performers. The British-American singer proudly melds his Nigerian roots with the technical talent that earned him a place with the internationally famed Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Boye joined the Church of Latter Day Saints as a teenager. He later joined George Michael's troupe then led one of Europe's most popular boy-bands, 'Awesome', before turning his full attention to Contemporary Christian music in 2000. He was formally invited to join the Mormon Tabernacle Choir in 2006. Boye's success as an artiste and motivator is borne out by over 400 million YouTube performance views and a growing global appreciation for his inspirational and entertaining personal appearances. Alex Boye will bring the full canvas of his talents to ChristFest 2017 – where he will share the main stage with South America's Christian music phenomena, SIERVAS. Comprised of 11 Catholic nuns, Siervas has performed for Pope Francis and is known throughout the Spanish-speaking world. "Mr. Boye learned of our event and asked to be invited. This says much about his drive to connect with an ecumenical audience and suggests ChristFest is itself growing in stature. We were thrilled by his offer and proud to announce this world-class performer will join eleven other top-ranked Christian entertainers as we end the summer, under the heavens," said Ryan Lilyengren, Director of Communication for the Diocese and center organizer. Christ Fest brings the local and regional community together for a celebration of the Christian faith through diverse food and chart-topping musical artists. **September 8, 2017**

- 6:30 p.m. – Mariachi Sol De Mexico
- 6:30 p.m. – Mass in Arboretum on Christ Cathedral campus
- 7:10 p.m. – Marian Procession to concert venue
- 7:10 p.m. – Barbara Padilla and Mariachi Sol De Mexico
- 7:35 – Barbara Padilla and Mariachi Sol De Mexico
- 8:15 p.m. – Son by 4
- 9:15 p.m. Siervas
- 10 p.m. – Concert ends

### September 9, 2017

- 2 p.m. – Gates Open / Food/ Beer Gardens
- 2:30 p.m. – Jimmy Cravity
- 3:30 p.m. – Adam Bitter
- 4:30 p.m. – Las Siervas
- 5:30 p.m. – Ike Ndolo
- 6:30 p.m. – Rush of Fools
- 7:30 p.m. – Alex Boye

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- 8 p.m. – Shane and Shane
  - 9 p.m. – Mac Powell from Third Day
  - 10 p.m. – Concert Ends

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