

The Smashing Pumpkins Bringing The Rats In A Cage Tour to MGM Grand Garden Arena October 30, 2026

One-of-a-Kind Show Features Two Distinct Sets Celebrating Mellon Collie And The Infinite Sadness at 30 Plus Nearly Four Decades of Hits and Dark Treasures

TICKETS ON SALE BEGINNING THURSDAY, MAY 21 AT 10 A.M. PT AT AXS.COM

LAS VEGAS (May 18, 2026)— The iconic, GRAMMY® Award-winning rock band **The Smashing Pumpkins** have announced **The Rats In A Cage Tour**, one of their most ambitious live shows yet. Kicking off in September and running through November, **The Rats In A Cage Tour** will feature the band playing two distinct sets: one celebrating the seminal 1995 RIAA Diamond certified **Mellon Collie And The Infinite Sadness**’ recent 30th anniversary, and one a career-spanning journey through nearly four decades’ worth of beloved hits, deep cuts, and fan-favorites alike. The tour will make a Las Vegas stop at the **MGM Grand Garden Arena Friday, Oct. 30, 2026**



Watch **The Rats In A Cage Tour** announcement video [HERE](#).

Citi is the official card of **The Rats in A Cage Tour**. Citi cardmembers will have access to pre-sale tickets beginning **Tuesday, May 19 at 10 a.m. PT until Wednesday, May 20 at 10 p.m. PT** through the Citi Entertainment program. For complete pre-sale details visit [www.citi.com/entertainment.com](http://www.citi.com/entertainment).

Verizon will offer customers an exclusive pre-sale for the Smashing Pumpkins in the U.S. — no strings attached, simply for being a Verizon customer. The pre-sale runs from **Tuesday, May 19 at 10 a.m. PT to Wednesday, May 20 at 10 p.m. PT**. Visit myAccess in the [My Verizon app](#) for more details. Learn more about Verizon Access [here](#).

Fans will also have access to an exclusive pre-sale through the band’s official fan club, VIZ CLUB, beginning **Wednesday, May 20 at 9 a.m. PT until Wednesday, May 20 at 10 p.m. PT**. Join VIZ CLUB [here](#).

Additional pre-sales will run throughout the week ahead of the general on sale beginning **Thursday, May 21 at 10 a.m. PT** at AXS.com.

To celebrate **The Rats In A Cage Tour**, The Smashing Pumpkins will offer one of a kind VIP ticket packages that will include a special pre-show acoustic performance and Q&A with the band, VIP lounge access, memorabilia, exclusive VIP merchandise, and priority merchandise shopping. **Pre-sale will begin Tuesday, May 19 at 10 a.m. PT.**

“Staging a Mellon Collie-themed show is something we’ve discussed for over a decade, and finally the stars have aligned and exactly on the terms I’d set: which was to build a special night around its most enduring aspirations and ideas,” Billy Corgan said. “With set 1 of the Rats In A Cage tour exclusively featuring Mellon Collie songs in a highly theatrical setting, and set 2 drawing from the rest of our canon so that there’s a decent amount of variance as to what songs we’ll play from night to night: from our first in ‘Gish’ to our last in ‘Aghori Mhori Mei’.”

Last night, after dropping hints for several days, the band hosted a *Requiem For ZERO* at the Hollywood Legion Theater in Los Angeles. The intimate hall allowed 300 guests to witness the funeral for ZERO, the avatar Billy Corgan first inhabited 30 years ago on *Mellon Collie*.

Before the tour kicks off, The Smashing Pumpkins will headline their hometown’s famed **Lollapalooza** on **July 31** for the first time in over 30 years, marking their long-awaited return to the festival since its touring iteration in 1994. Then, in September, the *Rats In A Cage* tour opens in Columbus, OH, before visiting multiple major markets throughout America and Canada. With the Pumpkins’ shows forever known for delivering raw performances on an epic emotional scale, the *Rats In A Cage* tour and its journey through the decades promises to showcase the kaleidoscopic range the band has wielded from *Gish* all the way to their most recent album release, *Aghori Mhori Mei*.

The Rats In A Cage Tour follows a multi-faceted 2025 anniversary blowout for *Mellon Collie*, including a deluxe vinyl reissue

featuring previously unheard live recordings from the world tour supporting the album, a special reimagining of *Mellon Collie's* iconic hits and beloved fan-favorites onstage with the Lyric Opera Of Chicago, and culinary collaborations with Vosges Haut-Chocolat and Erewhon. Released the same year as *Machina/The Machines Of Gods* 25th anniversary reissue, the *Mellon Collie* celebration continued what has been a furiously productive decade for The Smashing Pumpkins, with a flood of inspiration producing 2020's *Cyr*, 2022/2023's triple-album *Atum: A Rock Opera In Three Parts* and 2024's *Aghori Mhori Mei*.

Alongside all of his Pumpkins activity, the ever-prolific Corgan has remained busy in other ventures as well. Entering its second year, his widely praised podcast *The Magnificent Others* has recently featured candid conversations about creativity and legacy with Courtney Love, Billy Idol, Nancy Wilson, and Yungblud. Corgan also made his Coachella debut, joining Sombra onstage for a surprise performance. Most recently, in his capacity as president of the National Wrestling Alliance, Corgan led the hallowed athletic institution to a landmark deal with Comet TV, bringing NWA back to free broadcast TV nationwide for the first time since the early '90s. The new chapter of NWA dawned on May 1, marking the latest moment in a standout year for Corgan and the Pumpkins.

About The Smashing Pumpkins

The Smashing Pumpkins are one of the most iconic, iconoclastic, and influential bands of all time, shaping alternative music and culture. Since forming in Chicago in 1988, the group has sold over 30 million albums worldwide and garnered two GRAMMY® Awards, seven MTV VMAs, and an American Music Award. Their catalog includes seminal offerings such as the platinum *Gish* [1991], the quadruple-platinum *Siamese Dream* [1993], the diamond-certified *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* [1995], the platinum *Adore* [1998], and the gold *Machina/The Machines of God* [2000]. *Rolling Stone* cited both *Siamese Dream* and *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* among its "500 Greatest Albums of All Time." It would also be impossible to envision alternative music and culture without their signature iconography such as the idyllic album artwork for *Siamese Dream*, the black Zero shirt, the laissez faire bliss of the "1979" music video, the gothic metamorphosis of "Ava Adore," or the multi-dimensional live shows that sell out worldwide to this day. 2018 saw The Smashing Pumpkins unveil *SHINY AND OH SO BRIGHT, VOL. 1 / LP: NO PAST. NO FUTURE. NO SUN* and launched the immensely successful Shiny and Oh So Bright Tour, which packed arenas. Maintaining this momentum, the band released their eleventh full-length double album, *CYR* [2020], representing yet another evolution, and more recently, *ATUM* [2023], the sequel to 1995's *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* and 2000's *Machina/Machine of God*. The band's 2024 album, *Aghori Mhori Mei*, written in the immediate aftermath of *ATUM*, sees a return to form for original members Billy Corgan, Jimmy Chamberlin, and James Iha, and harkens back to the band's early '90s canon, where guitars, bass, drums, and spiking vocals ruled.

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About MGM Grand Garden Arena

The MGM Grand Garden Arena is home to concerts, championship boxing and premier sporting and special events. The Arena offers comfortable seating for as many as 16,800 with excellent sightlines and state-of-the-art acoustics, lighting and sound. Prominent events to date have included world championship fights between Evander Holyfield and Mike Tyson as well as Floyd Mayweather vs. Canelo Alvarez as well as Floyd Mayweather vs. Manny Pacquiao; and concerts by The Rolling Stones, Madonna, Elton John, Bruce Springsteen, Paul McCartney, Bette Midler, George Strait, Justin Timberlake, Beyonce, U2, Lady Gaga, Bruno Mars, Coldplay, Alicia Keys, Jimmy Buffett and the Barbra Streisand Millennium Concert. The MGM Grand Garden Arena also has been home to annual events including the Academy of Country Music Awards, the Billboard Music Awards, the Latin GRAMMY Awards, iHeartRadio Music Festival, Pac-12 Men's Basketball Championship and Frozen Fury NHL pre-season games hosted by the Los Angeles Kings.

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