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*Willie Wisely's 1st Annual Show of Thanks at the Granada Theater in Minneapolis.
A Celebration of Nourishment, Music, & Giving.*

FEATURING WILLIE WISELY, LONG TIME PRINCE BANDMATE TOMMY BARBARELLA ON KEYS, & THE VOICE OF DAVINA LOZIER.

MINNEAPOLIS – NOVEMBER 19th, 2023 @ THE GRANADA THEATER, MINNEAPOLIS.

A Celebration of Music, Nourishment and Giving to benefit Open Arms of Minnesota. The 1st Annual Willie Wisely's "Show of Thanks" will donate all proceeds after production costs to Open Arms of MN, which has been nourishing critically ill neighbors since 1986 with medically tailored meals, delivered directly to those in need using fresh, non-processed ingredients, free of charge. At Open Arms, Food is medicine.

"Show Of Thanks" is a dining & music event celebrating the season of giving and the nearly 40 year history of Open Arms and its community of kindness and love.

Minnesota native, singer-songwriter Willie Wisely and his band lead the evening with stellar featured performances by renowned recording artist Davina Lozier (Davina & The Vagabonds) and keyboard great Tommy Barbarella (Prince, Greazy Meal, Nick Jonas, Minnesota Orchestra).



Wisely's band includes guitar hero Steve Brantseg, bassist Barb Brynstad, drummer Reese Klang, & reed player Nelson Devereaux.

Real. Raw. Intimate. This will be a night of music and thanks, community and giving. Dining and cocktail service throughout the evening. Doors at 5:00, Music @ 6:30pm.

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Tickets are \$20- \$60 (VIP) in advance at www.GranadaMpls.com or at the box office. **A Sellout is expected. Four-camera, high fidelity livestream tickets also available.** The Granada Theater is at 3022 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55408. (612) 439-2558. This is an ALL-AGES event.

Open Arms of Minnesota is a nonprofit organization that prepares and delivers nourishing meals free of charge to critically ill Minnesotans and their loved ones. Their registered dietitians and in-house chefs create delicious, medically tailored menus using fresh and organic ingredients whenever possible. Through the support of a loving community of donors and volunteers, they harvest, cook, and deliver nutritious, made-from-scratch meals directly to the clients. www.openarmsmn.org

“We remain passionate about the movement back to real food, by people, for people. And returning health care to exactly that; ”health care”, not “sick care”. -Willie Wisely

- **“Show of Thanks” members include:**
- Epic showman Willie Wisely on vocals & guitar
- Tommy Barbarella (Prince, Greazy Meal, Nick Jonas, MN Orchestra) on keys
- Davina Lozier (Davina & The Vagabonds) on vocals, keys, and melodica
- Barb Brynstad (Turn, Turn, Turn) on Electric Bass

- Steve Brantseg (The Suburbs, Curtis A) on guitar
- Nelson Devereaux (Paul Cherry, Craig Finn) on reeds
- Reese Kling (The Orange Goodness) on drums

Event Sponsored by Invictus Brewing Co. and Concord.

For more information -- or for live performances and to interview Willie Wisely, Tommy Barbarella, or Davina Lozier -- please contact Misha Bartlett, 612-759-0665, misha@openarmsmn.org, Ethan Armstrong, 320-815-235, ethan@openarmsmn.org, and Willie Wisely 310-770-7826, wwisely@mac.com