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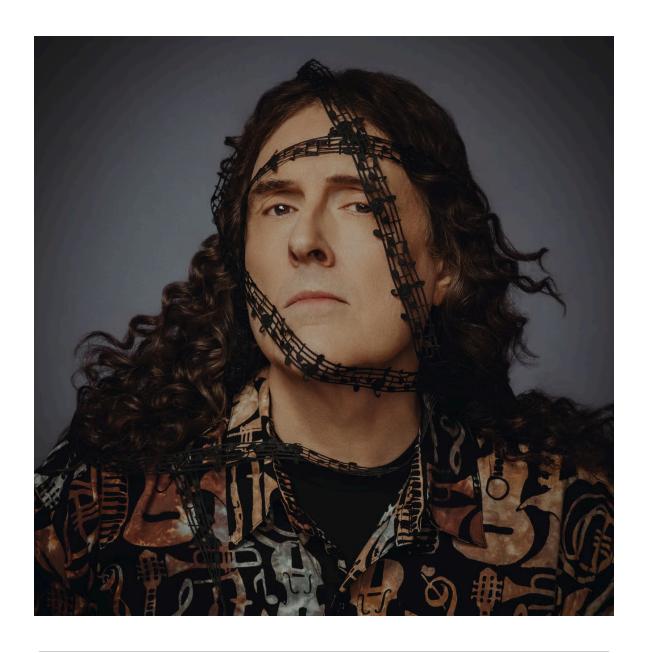
# "Weird Al" Yankovic Added to the 2026 Tanglewood Popular Artist Series

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Yankovic performs at Tanglewood for the first time on July 21
with special guest Puddles Pity Party on his 2026 "BIGGER &
WEIRDER" tour

Tickets go on sale December 12 at 10 a.m.

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Five-time GRAMMY® award winner "Weird Al" Yankovic performs at Tanglewood for the first time this summer on Tuesday, July 21 at 7 p.m., bringing his "BIGGER & WEIRDER" 2026 tour to the famed music and learning campus in the Berkshires. The biggest-selling comedy recording artist in history, Yankovic's full-production multimedia comedy rock show features iconic hits as well as fan favorites performed live for the first time. Al's longtime band is joined by four additional players, and clown **Puddles Pity Party** appears as special guest. Tickets go on sale on Friday, December 12 at 10 a.m.

Yankovic's performance is part of Tanglewood's annual <u>Popular Artist Series</u>, which this summer also brings **Jason Isbell and the 400 Unit** to the

Koussevitzky Music Shed (July 28, 7 p.m.). Additional performers in the series will be announced throughout the winter and spring.

A full schedule of the 2026 Tanglewood summer season, including concerts by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Boston Pops, and Tanglewood Music Center fellows, will be announced in late January 2026, and tickets will be available in early March.

## **About "Weird Al" Yankovic**

"Weird Al" Yankovic is the biggest-selling comedy recording artist in history. A five-time GRAMMY® award winner, he is best known for his parodies of the biggest musical artists over the last four decades, including Madonna, Michael Jackson, Taylor Swift, Queen, U2 and Lady Gaga, all with their personal blessings. His many hits include "Amish Paradise," "Eat It," "Like a Surgeon," "Smells Like Nirvana," "Word Crimes," and the platinum-selling "White & Nerdy." His last album *Mandatory Fun* is the only comedy album in history to debut at #1 on the Billboard Top 200. Yankovic's live shows have entertained audiences across the globe for generations, including appearances at such iconic venues as Radio City Music Hall, The Hollywood Bowl, Red Rocks, Carnegie Hall, Wolf Trap, The Kennedy Center and Madison Square Garden. In 2022, Yankovic produced and co-wrote the Emmy-winning biopic *WEIRD: The Al Yankovic Story*, starring Daniel Radcliffe in the title role.

## **About Puddles Pity Party**

**Puddles Pity Party**, the 7-foot sad clown whose golden voice is "comparable to any Grammy winner" (*Los Angeles Times*), has amassed over 900,000 YouTube subscribers and performed sold-out shows around the globe including San Francisco's Palace of Fine Arts, London's Soho Theatre and a residency at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. He has performed on stage with such legends as Eric Idle, Nick Offerman, Jack Black, Maynard James Keenan, and Primus. Puddles' one-of-a-kind "textured voice laced with melancholy" (*New York Times*) has been hailed as "operatic" (*Boston Globe*) and his show both "life-affirming" (*Herald Scotland*) and "hysterically funny" (*LA Weekly*).

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### **How to Purchase Tickets**

<u>Tanglewood.org</u> is the official site for all Tanglewood tickets. Tickets for "Weird Al" Yankovic's performance go on public sale on Friday, December 12 at 10 a.m.

The Box Office at Tanglewood's Linde Center will open specially on December 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets for Popular Artist Series concerts as well as TLI winter and spring events will be available to purchase in person at this time.

Tickets may also be purchased by calling 888-266-1200 on Monday–Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 12:30–4:30 p.m. or at the Symphony Hall Box Office during regular Box Office hours.

All tickets for Tanglewood Popular Artist concerts will be Mobile Delivery or Hold at Box Office. We have adopted this industry standard in order to better protect consumers from price gouging, hidden fees, and other deceptive practices by some third-party ticket resellers.

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