MEDIA ALERT

FriendsWithYou Presents Large-Scale Public Art Installation Light Wave at Santa Monica Pier Concert Series

On View Thursday Evenings through September 8th 7–10pm



WHAT:

The Los Angeles-based artist collective **FriendsWithYou** presents *Light Wave*, an immersive, large-scale public art installation, as part of this year's **Twilight Concerts** series presented by the **Santa Monica Pier** and **Snapchat**, bringing new experiences to the landmark destination. *Light Wave* invites concertgoers to immerse in a glow of color, energy and sound amidst vibrant LED sculptures towering as high as 45 feet. Designed to rise and fall into the Los Angeles coastline like a wave, the installation transforms with the sunset from vivid forms into illuminated landscapes. *Light Wave* is open to the public for free every Thursday evening from July 7th to September 8th.

FriendsWithYou artists **Samuel Borkson** and **Arturo Sandoval III** took inspiration from California's coast and culture for this new work, which is their largest public installation and first in Los Angeles. *Light Wave* is reflective of the figurative wave of creative energy pulsing in the city and references the immersive installations of Southern California's Light and Space movement.

WHEN: Thursday evenings through September 8, 7–10pm

August 19, August 26 September 1, September 8

WHERE: Santa Monica Pier

200 Santa Monica Pier Santa Monica, CA 90401

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ABOUT:

Since forming FriendsWithYou in 2002, Samuel Borkson and Arturo Sandoval III have explored the realm of experiential art, developing a unique post-pop visual language that promotes "magic, luck and friendship." The artists work in a variety of mediums including painting, sculpture, large-scale experiential installations, and live performances; and strive to affect world culture by cultivating special moments of spiritual awareness and powerful, joyous interaction. FriendsWithYou's work has been exhibited at Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Art Basel in Miami Beach, Dallas Contemporary, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, The High Line, The Indianapolis Museum of Art, Marine Projects, Galerie Perrotin, and Museum of Contemporary Art Santa Barbara with artworks in the permanent collections of Goldman Family Collection, The Museum of Contemporary Art North Miami, and Montblanc Collection.

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