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Augusta Amusements  
Presents  
***JAIMIE PAUL***

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.  
at the JABEZ S. HARDIN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

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**JAMIEE PAUL**

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Raised in Southern Illinois, Jaimee Paul found herself falling in love with the soulful sounds of Gospel, Blues and Jazz. Coming from a musical family, music constantly filled the house, ranging from Beethoven to Bing Crosby and Abba to Aretha Franklin. She began singing in church at the young age of 4, and has never stopped.

Her love of music and the intrigue of the business led her to Nashville where she attended highly acclaimed Belmont University, garnering a degree in Music Business.

Afterward she began studio session work, working of various projects with many different artists and writers. Continuing with her passion for the church Jaimee also joined the Grammy nominated Christ Church Choir. Not long after, seeing her in the choir, Wynonna Judd recognized her unmatched talent and invited Jaimee to join her as a background vocalist.

In the midst of touring with Wynonna, she was signed to Green Hill Music in 2008 as their first female vocalist, and her debut album, "At Last", reached No. 1 on the iTunes Jazz Albums chart in 2009. Since then, Jaimee has recorded several other albums on Green Hill, including "Bonded" - a tribute to the music of James Bond, produced by multi-Grammy Award winning producer, Michael Omartian. Bonded has become an unparalleled symphonic show and tribute with symphonies across the country.

Since touring with Wynonna, she has also toured as background vocalist for pop sensation, Kelly Clarkson, recorded with Don Henley and Frankie Valli, performed all over the world, and recently released her latest record, "Too Marvelous" - a tribute to Johnny Mercer.

Leif Shires, a trumpet player, raised in California's San Joaquin Valley, began his professional career playing on cruise lines and theme parks. In 2004 he moved to Nashville, and his first discovery was a sultry jazz singer looking for a trumpet player, namely Jaimee Paul. From that discovery began a romance that blossomed into marriage. Leif's career has continued to flourish as he has worked with many different artists spanning a variety of genres, including Kelly Clarkson, Jack White, Shania Twain, Barry Gibb, Eliza & The Bear, Jaci Velasquez, Wanda Jackson, Toby Mac, TG Sheppard, Kelly Lang and bands such as The Memphis Horns, My Morning Jacket and Latin jam band Salvador. Green Hill, recognizing the powerful potential of this couple, also signed Leif as their first solo trumpet player in 2008.

As a duo, Jaimee and Leif have had the privilege of performing for audiences throughout the US, Canada, Europe and Japan. Some attendees have included a United States President, Prime Ministers, Congressmen, Military leaders and Ambassadors. They also have independently released their first Jaimee Paul Band album, "My Favorite Things," with new twists and turns on both Jazz and Pop classics.

Music enthusiasts have been touched and inspired by their incredible talent, love for each other, and the music they are honored to create.

Reserved Seats can be purchased online at [www.augustaamusements.com](http://www.augustaamusements.com) or by calling 706-726-0366.

Tickets are \$39.50.

The Jabez S. Hardin Performing Arts Center is located at 7022 Evans Towne Center Blvd in Evans, GA, inside the Evans Library.