



## TMB ANNOUNCES FIRST ROUND OF GUEST STARS FOR MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> CONCERT

WAR, Arturo Sandoval, and John Dolmayan of System of a Down join Rodney Peete, Keyshawn Johnson, and Janet Evans in honoring Dr. Bartner's 40 Years at USC

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**Los Angeles** – April 1, 2010 – With a month left until the gala concert celebrating Dr. Bartner's 40 years at USC, the TMB is proud to announce the first slate of performers and guest stars. Representing 24 Grammy nominations (with 5 wins), 9 Olympic medals, 4 National Championships, and 3 Super Bowl rings, this exciting roster of musicians and speakers honoring "The Man on the Ladder" on May 1<sup>st</sup> is just the beginning.

Scheduled to perform at the concert are Los Angeles rock legends WAR, Grammy Award-winning Latin jazz trumpeter Arturo Sandoval, singer and Hollywood royalty Monica Mancini, and *DRUM! Magazine's* 2006 Drummer of the Year John Dolmayan of System of a Down.

Guest speakers scheduled to appear include Trojan football greats John Robinson, Keyshawn Johnson, Rodney Peete, and Marcus Allen along with gold medal-winning Olympic swimmers – and USC alums – Janet Evans and John Naber.

More surprises are in store for "The Man on the Ladder" with top musical acts and celebrity guest speakers still being lined up. Proceeds from the event will raise an anticipated \$1.5 million for the band's scholarship fund, providing grants for its student musicians.

Though seating on the floor has sold out, general admission tickets are still available. Lower Bowl seats are \$75. Upper Bowl tickets are priced at a special \$40 rate. Tickets can be purchased through the USC Ticket Office ([www.uscticketoffice.com](http://www.uscticketoffice.com)). The event also has a dedicated website: [www.themanontheladder.com](http://www.themanontheladder.com).

To keep up-to-date on the latest news on the May 1st event, including which guest stars are scheduled to appear, follow the band on Twitter ([www.twitter.com/usctmb](http://www.twitter.com/usctmb)) or become a fan on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/usctmb](http://www.facebook.com/usctmb)).

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