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## U.S. Postal Service Honors John Lennon with New Commemorative Forever Stamp

What: John Lennon Forever stamp dedication ceremony, officiated by Postmaster

General and CEO Megan J. Brennan

When: Friday, Sept. 7, 11 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time

Where: Naumburg Bandshell

Central Park, near East 72nd Street and Fifth Avenue

New York, NY 10065

Background: This stamp, honoring legendary singer and songwriter John Lennon, is the latest

> in a series of Music Icons stamps. Beloved around the world, Lennon was successful both as a founding member of the Beatles and as a solo artist.

Lennon's music continues to speak for truth, peace, and tolerance.

The stamp artwork features a 1974 photo of John Lennon taken by noted rock music photographer Bob Gruen for Lennon's "Walls and Bridges" album. The stamp pane resembles a vintage 45-rpm record sleeve and features Lennon at his white piano on the reverse side. The photograph, taken by Peter Fordham,

was used to promote Lennon's landmark 1971 solo album, "Imagine."

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