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Walter Anderson Museum of Art to Release Exclusive Vinyl Album “Mississippi Murals” by singer-songwriter Luther Dickinson

Ocean Springs, MS — The Walter Anderson Museum of Art (WAMA) is proud to announce the release of *Mississippi Murals*, a 12” vinyl album from the acclaimed "Music Inspired by the Seven Climates" concert series. Released in collaboration with non profit record label Spaceflight records, this special edition album will be released on Sunday, September 22, in conjunction with the eighth annual concert led by Grammy-nominated musician Luther Dickinson of the North Mississippi Allstars.

Mississippi Murals captures the live recording of the second concert in the series, which Dickinson has headlined since 2016. The album features seven original musical compositions inspired by Walter Inglis Anderson’s iconic mural panels, created in 1951, which chronicle the natural beauty of the Southern landscape. Each track on the album corresponds to a specific mural panel, bringing to life Anderson’s vision of flora, fauna, and celestial bodies through Dickinson’s distinctive musical style.

The album’s original songs and musical interpretations are performed by Luther Dickinson, John Medeski, Johnny Vidacovich and Dominic Davis. All songs are written by Luther Dickinson, Vibratone Music, BMG. BMI. Produced by Dickinson and recorded by Alex Diaz, *Mississippi Murals* features post-production by Kevin Houston, mixing by Ryan Saavedra at Primary Color Sound Studio, and mastering by Brett Orrison. The album includes original liner notes by author Jonathan Miles.

“This project is a bridge between the visual and musical arts,” said Dickinson. “Each composition is a reflection of the natural rhythms and energy found in Anderson’s murals. It’s an honor to interpret his art through sound.”

The album will be available worldwide for purchase online, at the concert, in WAMA’s gift shop, and in select record stores. The release is part of a project supported by the National Endowment for the Arts, with publishing support from Blossman Gas.

In addition to the album release, the museum will host the 2024 “Music Inspired by the Seven Climates” concert from 7-10PM on Sunday, September 22. Luther Dickinson will perform alongside an impressive roster of Southern musicians, including Big Chief Juan Pardo, The Golden Comanches; Sharde Thomas, Rising Star Fife & Drum; Chris Mallory, Rising Star Fife & Drum; Kirk Joseph, Dirty Dozen Brass Band; Eddie Christmas, The New Orleans Suspects; and Jake Eckert, of the The New Orleans Suspects, JD Simo, and Callie Miles. The concert fuses the deep multicultural blues, funk, soul, and jazz traditions of

the South with the dynamic forms, rhythms, and landscapes of Walter Anderson's historic murals. The concert is sponsored by El Dee Gee, South Arts, National Endowment for the Arts, R & B Feder Foundation, and Rain Residential.

For more information visit: <https://www.walterandersonmuseum.org/mississippimurals>

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About the Museum

WAMA opened in 1991 in historic Ocean Springs, MS, and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. WAMA's mission is to empower lifelong curiosity and connection to the natural world through the art of Walter Anderson and kindred artists. WAMA is dedicated to the celebration of the works of Walter Inglis Anderson (1903-1965), American master; and to his brothers, Peter Anderson (1901-1984), master potter and founder of Shearwater Pottery; and James McConnell Anderson (1907-1998), noted painter and ceramist. Learn more at www.walterandersonmuseum.org.

About Spaceflight Records

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