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### ***MoPOP Stages Major Pearl Jam Exhibition Set to Debut During Seattle Home Shows*** *Pearl Jam: Home & Away features band rarities including personal instruments, original lyrics, stage props, and more*



SEATTLE, WA – The Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP) announced today the opening of the most extensive exhibition celebrating the music of Pearl Jam. Organized by MoPOP in collaboration with Pearl Jam and Ten Club, the exhibit will feature more than 200 artifacts directly from Pearl Jam band members and their Seattle warehouse. *Pearl Jam: Home & Away* (#PearlJamHomexAway) will coincide with the band’s Seattle concerts dubbed the “Home Shows” and opens to the general public on August 11, 2018.

“With the help of the talented crew at MoPOP, we’re using the idea that we started with at PJ20 and taking the Pearl Jam Museum to a whole new level,” says Kevin Shuss, Pearl Jam archivist and videographer. “Focusing on items from tours and memorabilia from the band’s warehouse, the exhibit will be a must-see for any Pearl Jam fan.”

Spanning 28 years, the exhibition will feature personal instruments, equipment, stage props, original typewritten lyrics and notebooks, original poster and album art, set lists, and a photo op featuring the towering letters from the front of Pearl Jam’s debut album, *Ten*.

“This exhibition will give an intimate first-hand look at Pearl Jam’s journey from 1990 to the present and into the future,” says Jacob McMurray, Senior Curator, MoPOP. “From their beginnings as one of the originators of the “Seattle Sound” and the grunge phenomenon, to their sustained global impact as one of the most popular and respected bands in the world, Pearl Jam’s story is still unfolding as they



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continue to sell out shows world-wide and use their stage to further social and political consciousness.”

*Pearl Jam: Home & Away* will be included with MoPOP general admission and will remain on view until early 2019.

For more, visit [MoPOP.org/PJpressdownloads](http://MoPOP.org/PJpressdownloads).

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**ABOUT THE MUSEUM OF POP CULTURE (MoPOP)**

MoPOP is a leading-edge, nonprofit museum dedicated to the ideas and risk-taking that fuel contemporary popular culture. With its roots in rock ‘n’ roll, MoPOP serves as a gateway museum, reaching multi-generational audiences through collections, exhibitions and educational programs, and using interactive technologies to engage and empower its visitors. At MoPOP, artists, audiences and ideas converge, bringing understanding, interpretation and scholarship to the popular culture of our time. MoPOP is housed in a 140,000 square foot Frank Gehry-designed building. This spectacular, prominently visible structure has the presence of a monumental sculpture set amid the backdrop of the Seattle Center. For more information, visit [MoPOP.org](http://MoPOP.org).

**ABOUT PEARL JAM**

October 22, 2015 officially marked 25 years of Pearl Jam performing live. Ten studio albums, hundreds of unique live performances and hundreds of official live concert bootleg releases later, the band continues to be critically acclaimed and commercially successful -- with over 85 million albums sold worldwide. Pearl Jam will play a pair of Seattle concerts this summer to help aid the city's homelessness initiatives. Dubbed "The Home Shows," the two stadium gigs mark the Rock Hall-inducted band's first

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hometown concerts in five years.

## **ABOUT TEN CLUB**

Ten Club was born from the remains of the Mother Love Bone Earth Affair - a fan organization started by Pearl Jam in 1990 as a way for the band to give back to their fans and create a community around Pearl Jam's music and culture.