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## **Shake the Lake**

### **1st International BMW Night of Swing & Boogie Piano Entertainment**

### **Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing & Yanqi Island**

Stand by for a night of rip-roaring fun on **Saturday, October 31, 2015** when the Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing & Yanqi Island presents a dinner-dance extravaganza featuring pulsating boogie, swing and jazz music themed to the swinging Beijing of the 1930s era.

The **Shake the Lake Night** will feature two Feurich grand pianos on stage and a highly acclaimed ensemble of charismatic and outstanding musicians who have performed around the world at festivals as well as gigs at top venues in major cities. Tinkling the keyboards are Richie Loidl and Clemens Vogler, presenting their piano-friend and headline-star of the concert Joja Wendt. Franz Trattner on drums and Gernot Haslauer on double bass will support the show as a groovy rhythm section. After the Saturday night, the hotel will also invite those artists to join the following Sunday Jazz & Boogie Brunch at Elements on November 1, 2015. Pamper yourself with the delicious gourmet brunch and enjoy the authentic live music.

Austria-born **Richie Loidl** trained in classical piano as a child, but found his true niche at age 18 when he developed a passion for boogie-woogie and blues piano, inspired by the styles of contemporary musicians who re-animated the rarely played genre in Europe during the late 70ies and 80ies. Also an accomplished vocalist, his repertoire consists not only of moving boogie-woogie and earthy blues, but of popular Broadway standards, discreet bar music, and the pop-songs that everyone likes to hear. The highlights of his career to date were large boogie festivals in France, Germany and Switzerland, as well as numerous performances throughout Italy, Spain, Canada, Bahrain, USA, U.A.E./Dubai, Shanghai and naturally, in all of Austria. His motto: "Simply live! Let the good times roll! Keep shaking!"

Fellow Austrian **Clemens Vogler** started his piano career at the age of six. After classical piano lessons he took up boogie-woogie and blues piano at the age of 15. Digging into old records, he began to play in the style of Albert Ammons, Meade "Lux" Lewis and Pete Johnson, the creators of boogie-woogie piano. Developing and moving on with his skills he fell in love with the swing jazz area. Musicians like Nat



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King Cole, Oscar Peterson, Thelonious Monk inspired his further musical expressions. He epitomises his present musical style as one where "the whole thing swings with love to perform."

Since 1995 Richie Loidl & Clemens Vogler have been organizing the annual "**Shake the Lake Boogie Festival**" at Austria's Lake Wolfgangsee, close to the famous city of Salzburg. It is "much more than a concert" and certainly the most authentic and one of the largest European boogie festivals. The best musicians in the genre from all over the world have been invited to perform there.

Considered as "the best of the world", Shake the Lake-star **Joja Wendt** will be presented by Richie & Clemens at the great ballroom of the Sunrise Kempinski Yanqi Lake. He is a pianist and multi-talented entertainer through and through, his concerts fill the largest concert halls and he is, without doubt, technically brilliant and driven when at his instrument. Numerous concert tours have taken Joja Wendt around the world. From Germany and Europe to the stages of glittering metropolis', such as New York's Carnegie Hall as well as out-of-the-way corners like a small music school in the Siberian peninsula of Kamtschatka, of which he likes to tell in his concerts. He played with icons like Jerry Lee Lewis and Chuck Berry, played as support for Fats Domino and Joe Cocker on stage, hosted TV shows, composed the music for one of Germany's most successful cinema film and currently is part of the jury for the ambitious children TV project "Your Song", in which the composition of children have the chance of being performed by stars. In the year 2006 "Steinway-Artist" Joja Wendt was on a world tour with the "Steinway Family Tour" for nearly 6 months and played in sold out concerts before enthusiastic audiences on 4 continents, in Australia, New Zealand, China, Japan, Singapore, Korea, Indonesia, the USA and Canada. Right after his show at Sunrise Kempinski Yanqi Lake he will start his China-tour 2015 (see more on his website [www.jojawendt.de](http://www.jojawendt.de)).

So dig out your glad rags and dust off your dancing shoes in preparation for a swinging night at Yanqi Island! "Guests are encouraged to get in the mood with a 1930s dress code of glamour and sophistication, " says Brice Péan, General Manager of Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing & Yanqi Island. "The ladies might like to consider feather boas and cute hat, while the gents need look no further than a



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white scarf and perhaps a silver tipped cane" he adds with a smile, but assures that guests are not obliged to be so extravagant.

There is seating for only 650 guests, so those looking for a memorable evening are advised to book their tables earlier. Tickets are priced at RMB 1188 + 15% per person, which includes a four-course Western menu and a welcome drink. For reservation please call: 69618888 - 3305

More choice:

RMB 568+15% per guest for Sunday Jazz & Boogie Brunch;

RMB 2888 net per guest including dinner, one night stay and Sunday Jazz & Boogie Brunch;

RMB 4888 net per two guests including dinner, one night stay and Sunday Jazz & Boogie Brunch;

#### **Editor's Notes:**

Located 60km north of Beijing's city centre, alongside the picturesque Yanqi Lake and boasting panoramic views of Yan Mountain and the Mutianyu section of the Great Wall, Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing & Yanqi Island is Kempinski's largest property in China.

This new destination, managed by Kempinski, and owned by state-owned Beijing Enterprise Group, includes 595 guestrooms and suites housed across the Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing, located along the lake, the Yanqi Hotel and 12 Boutique Hotels, located on Yanqi Island. Leisure facilities include 14 restaurants and bars, two Kempinski The Spa, a private marina, the Yanqi Pagoda, recreational and fitness facilities, a Kids Club and beautifully-landscaped gardens.

With 14,069 square metres of meeting space, spread across the 8,277-square-metre Beijing Yanqi Lake International Conference Centre, and the hotels with four ballrooms and 23 meeting rooms, this new destination is designed to host high profile government conferences and is set to become the location of choice for global summits and large-scale international meetings in the region.

Be it dining with loved ones, entertaining business associates, hosting a meeting or staging a conference, celebrating a large or intimate wedding, or a weekend escape with the family, the facilities at Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing & Yanqi Island offer guests a surprising change from their traditional experience in a resort hotel.

The Sunrise Kempinski Hotel, Beijing & Yanqi Island destination was the Official Host Venue for APEC China 2014.



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### Websites:

Sunrise Kempinski Hotel Yanqi Lake: [www.kempinski.com/en/beijing-yanqi-lake](http://www.kempinski.com/en/beijing-yanqi-lake)

Artists: [www.jojawendt.de](http://www.jojawendt.de) | [www.richieloidl.at](http://www.richieloidl.at) | [www.clemensvogler.at](http://www.clemensvogler.at)

Shake the Lake festival Europe: [www.shakethelake.com](http://www.shakethelake.com)

Pianos: [www.feurich.com](http://www.feurich.com)

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