

The Wallis and Writers Bloc Present

## Senator Al Franken

In Conversation with Kathy Griffin  
on Friday, July 7 at 7:30pm

(Beverly Hills, CA May 26) The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts and Writers Bloc present a special one-night-only event featuring **Senator Al Franken (D-MN)** in conversation with stand-up comedian **Kathy Griffin** on Friday, July 7 at 7:30pm. The two award-winning comedians will come together on the stage of the Bram Goldsmith Theater for an intimate discussion about Franken's new book *Giant of the Senate*.

Al Franken used to be a comedian, our nation's foremost political satirist. Then he decided to run for office. His new book, *Giant of the Senate*, takes us deep into his unlikely campaign and into its more improbable ending—the closest Senate election outcome in history and an unprecedented eight month recount saga. Only Al Franken, a true “Giant of the Senate” could make that funny.

So what happens when an award-winning comedian with an army of loyal fans from “Saturday Night Live” and progressive radio, gets a chance to serve in the Senate? Senator Franken defies the low expectations from pundits and turns out to be good at it. *Giant of the Senate* is about our deeply polarized, frequently depressing and sometimes inspiring political culture. This candid memoir covers family, marriage, comedy and some of his most dramatic—and hilarious—moments in politics.

Joining Senator Franken will be Emmy and Grammy Award-winning stand-up comedian Kathy Griffin, who has starred in 20 stand-up specials, hosted and starred in her hit show “My Life on the D-List” and tours to sellout crowds all over the world. She is also a bestselling author.

Tickets for an evening with **Senator Al Franken** are currently available only through subscription. Remaining single tickets will be available for purchase on Friday, June 2, for \$50 and \$60, and include a copy of Franken's book *Giant of the Senate*. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [TheWallis.org/Franken](http://TheWallis.org/Franken), call 310.746.4000, or stop by in person at the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Services located at 9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90210. Ticket prices subject to change.

For more information about Senator Al Franken, please visit: [Franken.senate.gov](http://Franken.senate.gov), or follow [@senFranken](https://twitter.com/senFranken) on Twitter.

For more information about Kathy Griffin, please visit: [KathyGriffin.net](http://KathyGriffin.net), or follow @[kathygriffin](https://twitter.com/kathygriffin) on Twitter.

For more information about Writers Bloc, please visit: [WritersBlocPresents.com](http://WritersBlocPresents.com), like on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/writersbloc) and follow on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/writersbloc).

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#### **TICKET INFORMATION:**

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**Where:** Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts  
Bram Goldsmith Theater  
9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd, Beverly Hills, CA, 90210

**When:** Friday, July 7 at 7:30pm

**Tickets:** Single tickets: \$50 and \$60, includes one copy of Senator Al Franken's book *Giant of the Senate*  
(prices subject to change)  
Online – [TheWallis.org/Franken](http://TheWallis.org/Franken)  
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