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SWITCHFOOT: VICE VERSES TOUR – LIVE IN SA @SwitchchfootSA

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Grammy Award winning Band "Switchfoot" to perform in SA for the first time

They are all-round nice guys who love to surf. They have also sold millions of records; are known for their incredible energetic live performances during their sold-out shows and are one of the biggest rock bands around. Now, for the first time, South Africans can see the Grammy-Award winning band SWITCHFOOT live on their VICE VERSES SA TOUR.

The rock band from San Diego will be taking to the stage on August 8 at The Big Top Arena, Carnival City in Johannesburg and on August 11 at the Grand Arena in Cape Town.

Switchfoot formed in 1994 when Jon Foreman (lead vocals, guitar) and his brother Tim (bass guitar, backing vocals) put their high school friends together - including Chad Butler (drums, percussion), Jerome Fontamillas (guitar, keyboards, backing vocals), and Drew Shirley (guitar, backing vocals).

Nine albums over a decade later, they have achieved multi-platinum status, having sold over 4.4million albums and 3 million concert tickets worldwide and a Grammy Award and have a massive worldwide fan base (they currently have over 1.8million Facebook fans and over 229,000 followers on Twitter).

The band has had 3 consecutive Top 10 hits on Modern Rock Radio. Their song "Vice Verses" debuted at #8 on Top 200 Billboard Charts and #5 on iTunes Top 200 Charts. Music from VICE VERSES has already been included in movie trailers and soundtracks - In Time (Ft. Justin Timberlake) and Hawaii 5-0 Soundtrack "Out of Control". Their album "The Beautiful Letdown" was RIAA certified 3 X Platinum. The band has previously toured with the likes of "Dave Matthews Band", "3 Doors Down", "Goo Goo Dolls" and many more.

SWITCHFOOT'S music has also appeared in "The Chronicles of Narnia - Prince Caspian", "American Idol", "A Walk to Remember", "Life of Ryan", "CSI Miami", "Grey's Anatomy", "The Vampire Diaries", "Dawson's Creek", "One Tree Hill" and the smash-hit "Spiderman 2".

With its play on words, Vice Verses, the title of Switchfoot's new album, coherently suggests the album's theme: everything has two sides. "Every blessing comes with a set of curses," singer-guitarist Jon Foreman sings on the title track, all the while wondering if "there's a meaning to it all." That theme runs through the album's 12 songs and is even reflected in the album's black and white cover.

According to Jon Foreman, the name "Switchfoot" is a surfing term. "We all love to surf and have been surfing all our lives, so to us, the name made sense. To switch your feet means to take a new stance facing the opposite direction. It's about change and movement, a different way of approaching life and music."

Book your tickets NOW to see one of the best Rock Bands Live!

All ticket via Computicket (www.computicket.com or 0861 915 8000). Early booking is advised.

Switchfoot Tour dates for South Africa:

Johannesburg:

Wednesday, 8 August 2012 @ 8pm: The Big Top Arena, Carnival City

Cape Town:

Saturday, 11 August 2012 @ 8pm: Grand Arena, Grand West

Tickets from R220 – R350

For more information and tour updates visit www.switchfootsatour.co.za

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