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## AWARD-WINNING COMPOSER AND PIANIST LISA HILTON TAKES BLIND STUDENTS FROM DAY TO NIGHT IN ONE ETHERIAL AFTERNOON

Critically-acclaimed jazz pianist Lisa Hilton performs solo concert at Junior Blind of America

LOS ANGELES, CA (February 9, 2017) – Junior Blind of America, a leading non-profit organization helping those with physical, developmental or emotional challenges reach their greatest potential, welcomed jazz composer and pianist Lisa Hilton to its Los Angeles campus for a solo performance including compositions from her critically-acclaimed 19<sup>th</sup> album Day & Night.

First performing for blind children at Junior Blind's Camp Bloomfield nearly a decade ago, Hilton has since shared her musical talent with hundreds of Junior Blind's students. The preview of Day & Night at the Los Angeles campus followed Hilton's recent performance at Carnegie Hall.

Day & Night was inspired by the great American composer and songwriter Cole Porter as well as Hilton's commitment to discover, savor and share the beauty of everyday moments. It is that sentiment of always thinking of others that has driven Hilton's philanthropic efforts, including her dedication to the students of Junior Blind.

"Lisa Hilton is as talented as she is generous," says Miki Jordan, President and CEO of Junior Blind. "With her busy schedule, she always makes time to share her latest music with our students who are blind, visually impaired or multi-disabled. We couldn't be more grateful."

## **About Junior Blind**

Since 1953, Junior Blind has helped those with physical, developmental and emotional challenges reach their greatest potential. Each year, Junior Blind provides services to thousands of individuals and their families through programs that offer innovative and individualized methods of education, recreation, mental health and rehabilitation—all free of charge to families. These life-changing programs are designed to empower infants, children, teens and adults to reach their highest levels of potential, independence and self-esteem.

Junior Blind was recently awarded the coveted 4-out-of-4 star rating from Charity Navigator for the sixth consecutive year—an honor only 4 percent of all charities nationwide have achieved.

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