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MEDIA ALERT

BRITISH INVASION: THE STRUTS TAKE OVER TEMPE MARKETPLACE WITH <u>FREE</u> CONCERT ON APRIL 1 Band Rocks Out at Tempe Marketplace as Part of Center's ROCK IT UP Concert Series

WHAT:It may be April Fool's day, but there won't be any shenanigans as The Struts take center stage at TempeMarketplace for a FREE, full-length concert open to the public on The District Stage.

The ALT AZ 93.3 FM party starts at 7 p.m. with an opening performance by Canadian rock group, **Bleeker**, followed by The Struts as they deliver their brand of impassioned music and high-powered spirit.

After playing a string of sold-out shows in the U.S. and being featured in this month's *Rolling Stone Magazine* as England's newest glam-rock heroes, The Struts will take over The District Stage and engulf the center with big, fun, unapologetic rock and roll. Concertgoers are advised to arrive early to get the best "seats" in the house and enjoy the beer garden as they listen to the show openers before the band that has opened for The Rolling Stones and Mötley Crüe makes their appearance.

Proclaimed to be one of the most exciting and electric performers in rock today by Yahoo! Music and often compared to Queen and The Rolling Stones, The Struts are currently in the middle of a headlining tour across the U.S. The band has gained a significant following since the release of their single "Could Have Been Me" last year. Earlier this month, the four-member band finally released their debut album, *Everybody Wants*, from which songs have already been on the top charts in the United Kingdom, as well as the Alternative, Main Rock and Rock charts in the United States, and a No. 1 spot on Spotify's viral chart.

The Struts' appearance is a part of Tempe Marketplace's new, FREE, spring concert series *ROCK IT UP at Tempe Marketplace*. *ROCK IT UP* offers fans the opportunity to see some of today's top, emerging bands perform their latest album hits on The District Stage. Along with The Struts, this spring series features the popular American hard rock band Pop Evil on April 16, along with the talented English group, Nothing But Thieves on May 15.

ROCK IT UP is powered by 7UP and is FREE and open to the public. For more information on the bands, start times and more visit <u>www.tempemarketplace.com/concerts</u>.

WHEN: 7 p.m. - 10 p.m., Friday, April 1

WHERE:Tempe Marketplace – District Stage2000 E. Rio Salado Pkwy., (SW corner of Loops 101 & 202), Tempe

- WHO: Before even releasing their first album, U.K.-bred The Struts opened for The Rolling Stones in front of a crowd of 80,000 in Paris, got hand-picked by Mötley Crüe to serve as the supporting act for their four last-ever performances, and toured the U.S. on a string of sold-out shows that demanded the band move up to bigger venues to accommodate their fast-growing fan base. Now with their full-length debut *Everybody Wants*, lead vocalist Luke Spiller, guitarist Adam Slack, bassist Jed Elliott, and drummer Gethin Davies reveal the supreme mix of massive riffs and powerfully catchy melodies that's already slain so many adoring audiences around the globe.
- **INFO:** For more information, visit <u>www.tempemarketplace.com/concerts</u>.