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**SIR MICHAEL CAINE JOINS SCARLETT JOHANSSON  
TO HOST 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NOBEL PEACE PRIZE CONCERT  
DECEMBER 11TH IN NORWAY**

***Diana Ross To Headline Star-Studded Concert Honoring  
Peace Prize Laureate Martti Ahtisaari; Broadcast In More Than 100 Countries***

OSLO, NORWAY, OCTOBER 29, 2008 – The Norwegian Nobel Committee has announced that two-time Academy Award-winning actor Sir Michael Caine will join Scarlett Johansson to host the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Nobel Peace Prize Concert on Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> in Oslo, Norway. The show will be headlined by the legendary artist Diana Ross and will feature performances by world renowned artists such as Feist, Dierks Bentley, Julieta Venegas, Seun Kuti and Marit Larsen. This year's Nobel Concert hosts have collaborated in the recent past, with Caine and Johansson appearing together on-screen in 2006's *The Prestige*.

This year's Nobel Peace Prize Concert will honor laureate Martti Ahtisaari, the former President of Finland, for what the committee calls "his important efforts, on several continents and over more than three decades, to resolve international conflicts." The award is given annually to an individual or organization whose work exemplifies a spirit of vision and leadership that will help promote peace in the world. Mr. Ahtisaari will be in attendance at the concert, which is presented by the esteemed Norwegian Nobel Committee and broadcast to more than 100 countries worldwide.

During an illustrious career that spans more than five decades, Caine has appeared in over 100 films and been honored with numerous awards, including two Best Supporting Actor Oscars for his memorable roles in *Hannah and Her Sisters* in 1986 and *The Cider House Rules* in 1999. This year, the British actor reprised his role as Alfred in the worldwide blockbuster *The Dark Knight*.

The Nobel Peace Prize is the most prestigious award in the world, honoring icons such as Mother Teresa, Nelson Mandela, Mikhail Gorbachev, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Jimmy Carter, Kofi Annan, Al Gore and other remarkable individuals and organizations. For the past fourteen years, the Nobel Peace Prize Ceremony has been followed the next day by the Nobel Peace Prize Concert, a musical celebration honoring the laureate.

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Cisco Systems is a proud global sponsor of the Nobel Peace Prize Concert. The concert is presented by the Norwegian Nobel Committee and is produced by IMG in cooperation with Dinamo Story and NRK.

For more information on the Nobel Peace Prize and Concert, please visit [nobelpeaceprize.org](http://nobelpeaceprize.org).

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