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Waterstone's announces two special dates with music legend Nile Rodgers

St James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, London W1J 9LL

Tuesday, 8 November 2011, 7:00PM

Tickets £7 available from Waterstone's Piccadilly, Tel: 020 7851 2419

Zion Arts Centre, 335 Stretford Road, Hulme M15 5ZA

Friday, 11 November 2011, 6:30PM

Tickets £7, available from Waterstone's Deansgate, Tel: 0161 837 3000 or
www.quaytickets.com

Waterstone's is delighted to announce two very special evenings with iconic musician, songwriter and producer Nile Rodgers, as he discusses his life and music and introduces his eagerly awaited autobiography.

Nile will be in conversation with the *Guardian's* head rock and pop critic, Alexis Petridis, on Tuesday 8 November and renowned Manchester DJ and music journalist Dave Haslam on Friday 11 November. He'll also be meeting fans and signing copies of his hotly-anticipated memoir, *Le Freak: An Upside Down Story of Family, Disco and Destiny* (Sphere £20), so book early to secure a place.

A founding member of the band Chic, Nile is one of the world's most successful music producers. He wrote *We are Family* for Sister Sledge and *I'm Coming Out* for Diana Ross, and produced two of the most popular albums of all time - Madonna's *Like a Virgin* and David Bowie's *Let's Dance*. His life has been extraordinary - his mother was just 13 when he was born, and he was brought up surrounded by a ragged assortment of artists, dropouts and addicts. At the age of 13 he was already sniffing glue and had been turned on to acid by Timothy Leary himself. A natural, instinctive and brilliant musician, in the midst of all the madness he somehow managed to teach himself classical guitar. He also found time to become an expert in martial arts and join the radical Black Panther movement. From the glamour of Studio 54 to the squalor of New York's Valhalla, and with a cast of bohemians, drop-outs, disco divas and some of the most famous musicians in the world, *Le Freak: An Upside Down Story of Family, Disco and Destiny* tells his astonishing story.

These will be very popular events and customers are advised to book early to avoid disappointment. For further details please contact Waterstone's Piccadilly on 01935 479 832 or Waterstone's Deansgate on 0161 837 3000.

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