



Columbia Records and Legacy Recordings Set to Release <u>Leonard Cohen - Live In Dublin</u>, the Artist's First High Definition Full Concert Recording, on Tuesday, December 2

Recorded at Dublin's O2 Arena in September 2013, Evening's Length Leonard Cohen Concert Available in 3CD/DVD, 3CD/Blu-ray and Digital Configurations

Columbia Records and Legacy Recordings, the catalog division of Sony Music Entertainment, will release *Leonard Cohen - Live In Dublin*, an extraordinary full-length concert recording and film, on Tuesday, December 2.

The first (and only) release of a complete Leonard Cohen concert to be shot in high definition, *Live In Dublin* will be available in 3CD/DVD, 3CD/Blu-ray and digital configurations.

Lensed and recorded at Dublin's 02 Arena on September 12, 2013, *Leonard Cohen - Live In Dublin* documents a peak performance from the musician's monumental sold-out 2012-2013 world tour, introducing Cohen's then-latest release (2012's *Old Ideas*) within a major canonical on-stage retrospective.

This state-of-the-art audio-visual HD presentation of a full-length concert from the Old Ideas World Tour delivers this artist's repertoire (backed by a band recognized by critics as his best ever) with the intimacy, intensity and poetic beauty that have become hallmarks of a Leonard Cohen concert. *Live In Dublin* recreates the deep emotional connection that audiences felt so powerfully and critics praised universally with five-star reviews during Cohen's most recent tour.

Live In Dublin is the singer-songwriter-novelist-performer's second new release this year. On September 23, 2014, two days after Cohen's 80th birthday, Columbia Records released *Popular Problems*, the Canadian bard's 13th studio album of new material since his 1967 debut, *Songs of Leonard Cohen*. An international success, *Popular Problems* reached #1 on the iTunes chart in 31 countries and entered the Billboard 200 at #15 while debuting at #1 on the Austrian, Canadian, Dutch, New Zealand and Swiss album charts; the new album also debuted Top 5 in Belgium (#2), Finland (#2), Germany (#4), Italy (#5) and Sweden (#5)

An immersive viewing experience, *Leonard Cohen - Live In Dublin*'s three hours of music and magic includes an 11-song first set, a 10-song second set and an 8-song encore. The DVD features bonus live tracks recorded in Canada in 2013.

Leonard Cohen - Live In Dublin

Set 1

Dance Me to the End of Love

The Future

Bird on the Wire

Everybody Knows

Who By Fire

The Gypsy's Wife

Darkness

Amen

Come Healing

Lover Lover Lover

Anthem

Set 2

Tower of Song

Suzanne

Chelsea Hotel #2

Waiting for the Miracle

The Partisan

In My Secret Life

Alexandra Leaving (Sharon Robinson)

I'm Your Man

Recitation w/ N.L.

Hallelujah

Take this Waltz

Encore

So Long, Marianne

Going Home

First We Take Manhattan

Famous Blue Raincoat

If It Be Your Will (Webb Sisters)

Closing Time

I Tried to Leave You

Save the Last Dance for Me

DVD Bonus songs

Show Me The Place – Halifax, NS, Canada – April 13, 2013 – Halifax Metro Centre Anyhow – St. John's, NL, Canada – April 20, 2013 – Mile One Centre Different Sides – St. John, NB, Canada – April 15, 2013 – Harbour Station

In celebration of his milestone 80th birthday (September 21), Cohen's endless poetic energy and enduring legacy are honored with a new artist page on iTunes (www.itunes.com/leonardcohen), which features *Popular Problems* and includes all 12 prior studio albums Mastered For iTunes.

www.LeonardCohen.com.

ABOUT LEONARD COHEN:

Leonard Cohen is a master songwriter, musician, poet, novelist and visual artist whose stunning body of original work has touched the lives of millions with a career spanning six decades.

His explorations of spiritual, interpersonal, romantic and political themes have impacted countless contemporary recording artists and writers. He has sold over 23 million albums, worldwide and published 12 books, the most recent of which was 2006's 'Book of Longing', a collection of poetry, prose and drawings, which reached #1 on the Top 10 Hardcover Fiction Books in Canada.

Cohen's influence on musical and theatrical artists the world over is inestimable. In fact, when Cohen was inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall Of Fame in March 2008, the revered Lou Reed singled out Leonard as one of the "highest and most influential echelon of songwriters." Cohen's songbook has been covered by hundreds of recording artists including Jeff Buckley, Bob Dylan, Nina Simone, Johnny Cash, Lou Reed, Tori Amos, Nick Cave, Joan Baez, Harry Belafonte, Rufus Wainwright and the Civil Wars. Tribute albums have been released in Cohen's honor in France, Norway, Canada, Spain, Swedish, Czech Republic, South Africa and the United States. In 2008 Cohen's "Hallelujah" became the fastest-selling digital single in European history when three separate versions of the song appeared simultaneously on the UK singles chart - Cohen's own original recording, a version from Jeff Buckley and another from X Factor winner Alexandra Burke. Additionally, Leonard's songs have been frequently selected to illustrate the emotion of motion pictures and television programs and have been heard in Watchmen, The Passion of The Christ, Natural Born Killers, The Wonder Boys, Pump Up The Volume, Secretary, The West Wing, The O.C. and many others.

Leonard Cohen has been honored as a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient (2010), inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall Of Fame (2008), the Canadian Music Hall Of Fame (2006), the Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame (2006) and the Songwriters Hall Of Fame (2010). He has received the prestigious Principe de Asturias Prize – the highest literary award in Spain (Spain, 2011) as well as the Glenn Gould Prize, awarded to an individual for a unique lifetime contribution that has enriched the human condition through the arts (Canada, 2011). The Canadian native has earned his country's highest civilian honors - Officer of the Order of Canada (1991), Companion to the Order of Canada (2003), Grand Officer of the National Order of Quebec (2008).

Cohen's return to live performance in 2008 was met with extraordinary and unanimous accolades as he performed around the world from through 2013. Cohen's mesmerizing recent performances, deemed "a spiritual experience" by all accounts, totaled 470 shows in 31 countries attended by four million fans.

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