

# JOHN BARROWMAN announces a brand new autumn concert tour: LAID BARE UK dates October 11th to November 20th

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Renowned actor, singer, best-selling author, and entertainer John Barrowman MBE will take to the road this autumn with a brand new solo show, LAID BARE. Audiences are in for a treat as the star of stage and screen brings his unique brand of music and storytelling to theatres up and down the country.

"I'm really excited about my new show," says John. "I can't wait to get on the road and perform for my fan family and all the new faces around the country

who will get to know me better as I get back to my roots, celebrate my journey and tell my stories as I am 'LAID BARE' for everyone to enjoy!"

The tour kicks off at the Towngate Theatre in Basildon on October 11th and finishes on November 20th at the Tyne Theatre and Opera House in Newcastle:

### October

11th - Towngate Theatre Basildon

16th - Theatre Severn, Shrewsbury

17th - Chelmsford Theatre, Chelmsford

18th - Grove Theatre, Dunstable

20th - Peterborough New Theatre,

Peterborough

23rd - Castle Theatre, Wellingborough

24th - Lincoln Theatre Royal, Lincoln

25th - Alive Corn Exchange, Kings Lynn

31st - Marina Theatre, Lowestoft

#### **November**

1st - Hawth Theatre, Crawley

5th - Anvil Arts, Basingstoke

6th - Apex Theatre, Bury St Edmunds

10th - Floral Pavilion, New Brighton

14th-15th - Northcott Theatre, Exeter

19th - Victoria Theatre, Halifax

20th Tyne Theatre and Opera House,

Newcastle

# Says Matt Brinkler, RED Entertainment

"John is one of the most exciting entertainers to watch live and the team at RED are excited to be promoting his new tour. As the title – LAID BARE – suggests, this is a stripped-back, up close and personal production and unlike anything he's done before. Not only is John an incredible singer with a huge range, he's also a natural raconteur and I think audiences are going to love the chance to get to know the real John Barrowman."

## Says producer Keith Jack:

"I grew up watching John Barrowman play every leading role in the theatre – he was such an inspiration. Then I had the great fortune of meeting him on the BBC talent show, *Any Dream Will Do*, and we became good friends. It's such an honour to be able to produce John's new tour – I get to produce and work with an incredible friend...and to produce a show for someone who was born to be on the stage. John is undoubtedly one of the best leading actors in theatre and TV around the world and I can't wait to see the show myself!"

**John Barrowman** is a huge theatre star on both sides of the Atlantic due to his critically-acclaimed leading roles in Broadway and West End productions. Born in Glasgow, Scotland, he moved with his family to the US at the age of eight and returned to the UK to make his West End debut alongside Elaine Paige, in Cole Porter's *Anything Goes.* Since then John has racked up a formidable list of theatre credits including *Sunset Boulevard, Phantom of the Opera, Miss Saigon, Beauty & the Beast* and many more. He has worked with Andrew Lloyd Webber, Stephen Sondheim, and Cameron Macintosh and has cemented his status as one of the most versatile, compelling and popular performers of his generation.



In the UK his West End fame quickly led him to the hearts of TV fans with his high profile roles in *Doctor Who, Torchwood, Arrow* and as the face of TV talent shows *Dancing on Ice, I'd Do Anything, Any Dream Will Do* and *How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria*. Making his mark on American television, he appeared on *Desperate Housewives* and helped create the iconic villain Malcolm Merlyn for the DC / CW franchise, *Arrow*.

His highly successful recording career includes ten best-selling solo albums and several cast albums. John describes his current album, *Centre Stage*, recorded with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, as "my journey through my career in musical theatre". He will be performing some of his favourite songs from the album on tour giving him the opportunity of wowing audiences with his stunning vocal range - from velvety baritone to rich tenor – and peppering the show with anecdotes and memories.

John became a Sunday Times best-selling author for his autobiography *Anything Goes* and has since co-written nine action/adventure books with his sister Carole Barrowman. In 2014 he was awarded an MBE for services to charity and entertainment. He has been a popular face at Comic Con events around the world since his first appearance as the iconic Captain Jack Harkness in *Doctor Who* and *Torchwood* and will be at Comic Con North East at the Utilita Arena in Newcastle on April 13th and 14<sup>th</sup>.

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