



Press Release

TAJ EXPRESS TO BRING THE SOUNDS OF INDIA TO DUBAI OPERA'S STAGE

Taj Express will celebrate Bollywood's music and dance this October

Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 18th March 2018 –Toe-tapping musical Taj Express will be bringing a vibrant celebration of the glamour of Bollywood to the Dubai Opera stage from the 16th – 20th October 2018. The spectacle will feature some of the songs of Bollywood icon **A.R. Rahman**, the man behind some of the most stunning movie soundtracks ever composed, including the seven Oscar winning Slumdog Millionaire, for seven stunning performances, including two matinees and five evening shows.

Taj Express is inspired by the world famous Indian film industry and tells the Bollywood story of one man's passion and another man's genius. This dynamic production is choreographed by **Vaibhavi Merchant** and directed by **Shruti Merchant**. With the title track composed by **Salim Merchant** and **Sulaiman Merchant** and featuring the biggest blockbuster hits from Bollywood including music by **Monty Sharma**, **Abhijit Vaghan** and **Sanjay Leela Bhansali**, this is a show not to be missed.

The story follows a budding composer Shankar as he struggles with creating his first Bollywood score, only to find that each of the numbers he composes materialise before his eyes. The exciting journey is told through high energy dance moves, sparkly costumes, fancy footwork and interwoven with smash hit favourites from Bollywood stars, who have been entertaining people in India for generations.

Through a fusion of film, dance and music, audiences will be wrapped up in the effervescent colours, awe-inspiring spectacle and captivated by the energy of the world's most multifarious showbiz industry.

Jasper Hope, Chief Executive at Dubai Opera, commented: "This show has been a dazzling international sensation and is the epitome of all things Bollywood, mixing film, dance, and music by some of India and Bollywood's greatest names to deliver an unforgettably colourful and magical night at the theatre. Buy a ticket now and climb aboard the Taj Express because this is going to be one of the shows of the year."

Tickets start from AED 200, and go on sale at 9am on 19 March 2018 at www.dubaiopera.com with a special early-bird discount of 20% off on all seating categories available until 2nd April 2018.



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Note to Editors

About Dubai Opera:

Dubai Opera is a truly unique venue and the city's first purpose built multi-format performing arts theatre, situated in the heart of Downtown Dubai. With an iconic dhow-shaped design rooted in Emirati heritage, Dubai Opera offers the ultimate flexibility of a proscenium arch theatre, an acoustic concert hall and a 2000m2 flat floor event space, and is the definitive destination for quality entertainment productions and performances. Dubai Opera's stage hosts an incredible array of world-class talent, with opera, ballet and classical music concerts and productions at the core, Dubai Opera also stages musical theatre, fashion shows, jazz, comedy, family shows and a full range of live entertainment.

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