



Press release

DUBAI OPERA ANNOUNCES 'NEVER MIND THE OPERA'

A not-to-be missed evening of rock music with legends Glen Matlock, Hugh Cornwell, Chris Spedding and Slim Jim Phantom

Dubai UAE, 24th April 2018 – Dubai Opera has today announced '*Never Mind the Opera*', a one-off show full of rock classics and infamous life stories from industry legends Hugh Cornwell, Glen Matlock, Slim Jim Phantom and Chris Spedding. The iconic figures are coming together for one night only at Dubai Opera on 20th September 2018.

See the rock legends up close and personal for one incredible night filled with music and unembellished life stories. Hugh Cornwell, the original guitarist, singer and main songwriter in the British rock band, The Stranglers, will be kicking off the evening with the Hugh Cornwell Band. As well as world class music, Hugh will be re-telling stories from his amazing career.

This will be followed by an amazing trio of Glen Matlock, the outstanding bass player, songwriter and founding member of the Sex Pistols, Slim Jim Phantom, a true rock-n-roll icon and legendary drummer for the Stray Cats and finally Chris Spedding, the sensational British guitarist. The iconic artists will be entertaining the audience with stories and an unforgettable set of music.

Don't miss some of the UK's finest song writing talents and accomplished live performers take to the Dubai Opera stage on 20 September.

Tickets will go on sale for *Never Mind the Opera* on Tuesday 24th April 2018, at 4pm with prices starting from AED 150. There is also an early Bird offer with 20% off VIP, Platinum and Gold seat categories available for purchase up until the 8th May.

Jasper Hope, Chief Executive at Dubai Opera, commented: "*This is a truly unique night for music lovers in the UAE. So much of the great music of the 70s and beyond was defined by the explosion of Punk and New Wave and this celebration of an extraordinary era is going to be a trip down memory lane for fans of some of the biggest bands of the time as we welcome Glen Matlock, Slim Jim Phantom, Hugh Cornwall and Chris Spedding for a night where you can expect the volume to be turned right up.*"



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For more information and ticket purchase, please visit www.dubaiopera.com

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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