

RUSSELL PETERS RETURNS TO THE UAE! TO BE ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY 16TH JUNE 8AM UAE

Abu Dhabi 15th June 2021 – Global comedy superstar Russell Peters returns to Abu Dhabi on Friday 17th September at the newly opened Etihad Arena on Yas Island. Brought to you by GME Events, in conjunction with The Department of Culture and Tourism – Abu Dhabi (DCT Abu Dhabi), and Yas Island, Abu Dhabi's leading entertainment hub.

"I haven't been to Abu Dhabi since 2013 and this show will be my first international date since Covid. So I'm excited on so many levels and can't wait to be back!" says Peters.

Peters has set attendance and sales records during his previous appearances in the UAE and is a regional favourite with his keen observations on race and culture.

Russell Peters was recently named as one of Rolling Stone's 50 Best Comics Of All Time. He started doing stand-up at the age of nineteen in Toronto, Canada and has since set attendance records at venues from Madison Square Garden to The Sydney Opera House to London's O2 Arena where he broke the UK attendance record for the highest number of tickets sold for an individual comedy show. In 2013, Russell became the first comedian to create a Netflix Comedy Special. He has also recently launched his own Podcast, "*Culturally Cancelled*" and is currently developing a number of TV series as well as appearing in *Clifford The Big Red Dog* from Paramount Pictures this fall.

Tickets are immediately available from <u>www.etihadarena.ae</u> and priced from AED195. Tickets will be available to purchase in groups of 2s, 3s & 4s.

For guests who would like to extend the fun, stay packages including Event Ticket & Yas Island hotel stay will be available on Yas Island.ae from 6th July 2021 onwards.

Precautionary measures are in place to ensure the health and safety of visitors to Yas Island. More information on precautionary measures taken at Yas Island are available on <u>yasisland.ae/yaswellness</u>.

Yas Island, one of the world's fastest growing leisure and entertainment destinations, offers visitors a diverse mix of award-winning leisure and entertainment experiences, from one-of-a-kind theme parks, world-class shopping and superb dining, to a links golf course, exciting water and motor sports, and spectacular musical, entertainment and family events, all within the 25sq km island.

For any further requests please reach out to contact@gme-events.com

About Department of Culture and Tourism – Abu Dhabi

The Department of Culture and Tourism – Abu Dhabi (DCT Abu Dhabi) drives the sustainable growth of Abu Dhabi's culture and tourism sectors, fuels economic progress and helps achieve Abu Dhabi's wider global ambitions. By working in partnership with the organisations that define the Emirate's position as a leading international destination, DCT Abu Dhabi strives to unite the ecosystem around a shared vision of the Emirate's potential, coordinate effort and investment, deliver innovative solutions, and use the best tools, policies and systems to support the culture and tourism industries.

DCT Abu Dhabi's vision is defined by the Emirate's people, heritage and landscape. We work to enhance Abu Dhabi's status as a place of authenticity, innovation, and unparalleled experiences, represented by its living traditions of hospitality, pioneering initiatives and creative thought.

About Yas Island

Yas Island is one of the world's fastest growing leisure and entertainment destinations, located on the gold shores of Abu Dhabi – just 20 minutes from downtown Abu Dhabi and 50 minutes from Dubai. Yas Island offers holiday makers a diverse mix of award-winning leisure and entertainment experiences, from one-of-a-kind theme parks, world-class shopping and superb dining, to a links golf course, exciting water and motor sports, and spectacular musical, entertainment and family events... all within the 25 sq km Island. Today, Yas Island is home to the award-winning theme parks Ferrari World Abu Dhabi, Yas Waterworld, Warner Bros. World Abu Dhabi, the record-breaking CLYMB[™] Abu Dhabi, Yas Marina Circuit (home to the FORMULA 1 ETIHAD AIRWAYS ABU DHABI GRAND PRIX™), Yas Marina, the award-winning Yas Links golf course, as well as Abu Dhabi's largest mall, Yas Mall. With hotels, including W Abu Dhabi - Yas Island, Hilton Abu Dhabi Yas Island, Crowne Plaza Yas Island Abu Dhabi, Centro Yas Island by Rotana, Radisson Blu Hotel Abu Dhabi Yas Island, Park Inn by Radisson Hotel Abu Dhabi Yas Island and Staybridge Suites Abu Dhabi Yas Island, plus more than 165 dining experiences, the destination also features indoor and outdoor concert venues including MAD and Etihad Arena all of which are complemented by a range of visitor services that connect all attractions to one another.

For more information visit www.yasisland.ae