Leo Ihenacho, former member of the multi-platinum selling act THE STREETS and Kylie's unforgettable contestant on The Voice, heads the cast of the West End smash hit DANCING IN THE STREETS



Singer-Songwriter **Leo Ihenacho**, former member of the multi-platinum selling UK group The Streets, is to head the cast of the West End concert hit, **Dancing in the Streets**.

Leo (aka Leo The Lion) was also one of the most unforgettable singers on this year's series of *The Voice*. Picked by pop princess Kylie Minogue in the blind auditions - she declared him "one of my favourite singers", fellow judge Will i am described him as a "freakin' incredible singer".

Dancing in the Streets, with a full supporting company of singers, dancers and the 'Dancing In The Streets' band, is the original and the best critically acclaimed celebration of Motown's greatest hits. Earning rave reviews in its West End season, it now sets out on a 37-date UK tour starting at the Hawth, Crawley on Wednesday 8 October. The full tour list is attached.

Press are invited to review at Richmond Theatre on Sunday 12 October

Leo will act as the show's host and will be singing chart-topping hits made famous by Edwin Starr, The Four Tops, The Temptations and Marvin Gaye. He said: "I grew up loving the sound of Motown. So many famous artists forged their career at the label and the hits that came from that tiny recording studio in Detroit have stood the test of time and remain classics to this day. I feel honoured to be singing some of the greatest songs ever written by a group of truly legendary artists"

In **Dancing in the Streets** you experience the energy and electricity of the motor city in a stunning production packed with hit after hit...all killer, no filler! The talented cast and band will bring to life the infectious, melodic, foot-tapping songs with a touch of soul and style guaranteed to have you signing along and dancing in the aisles. Expect your favourite songs made famous by THE FOUR TOPS, THE TEMPTATIONS, STEVIE WONDER, MARVIN GAYE, LIONEL RICHIE, THE SUPREMES, SMOKEY ROBINSON & THE MIRACLES, MARTHA REEVES & THE VANDELLAS and many more.

As a prominent member of The Streets, Leo contributed to the number one selling albums *A Grand Don't Come for Free* and *The Hardest Way to Make an Easy Living* which culminated in a BRIT Awards appearance in 2006 alongside Mike Skinner. The group performed all around the globe, as well as headlining V Festival and Reading Festival. During the summer of 2012 he embarked on a marathon 24 gigs in 24 hours all over London to raise money for charity. Leo is currently working on his second album, which will be released in 2015.

"You are never more than a couple of minutes away from a chart-topping pop classic" The Stage

"The high points though are glorious, from the Temps' I Can't Get Next to You – one of the funkiest numbers in the entire Hitsville catalogue – to the Four Tops' anthemic Reach Out (I'll Be There). Stevie Wonder, reincarnated as a teen prodigy, adds a scorching Uptight, while the onstage band does a fine impersonation of the legendary, multiracial house-band, the Funk Brothers. Any devotees of R&B who don't enjoy the show should check their pulse immediately"

"They sing their hits, nearly 40 of them which can genuinely be classed as all killer, no filler"

The Guardian

"This was essentially one of, if not the best show... ever!!!" Capital Radio



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Dancing In The Streets 2014 Tour Dates

CRAWLEY
The Hawth

Wednesday 8 October at 7.30pm

SWINDON Wyvern

Thursday 9 October at 7.30pm

POOLE

The Lighthouse

Friday 10 October at 7.30pm

BUXTON Opera House

Saturday 11 October at 7.30pm

RICHMOND

Richmond Theatre

Sunday 12 October at 7.30pm

LEICESTER

De Montford Hall

Wednesday 15 October

at 7.30pm

IPSWICH

Regent Theatre

Thursday 16 October

at 7.30pm

MILTON KEYNES

Milton Keynes Theatre

Friday 17 October at 7.30pm

HIGH WYCOMBE

Swan Theatre

Sunday 19 October

at 7.30pm

SHEFFIELD

City Hall

Wednesday 22 October

at 7.30pm

NORTHAMPTON

Royal and Derngate

Thursday 23 October

at 7.30pm

BRADFORD

St George's Hall

Friday 24 October at 7.30pm

SCUNTHORPE

Baths Hall

Saturday 25 October at 7.30pm

WIMBLEDON

New Wimbledon Theatre Sunday 26 October at 7.30pm

CARDIFF

Wales Millennium Centre

Wednesday 29 October at 7.30pm

STOKE ON TRENT

Victoria Hall

Thursday 30 October at 7.30pm

RHYL

Pavilion Theatre

Thursday 30 October at 7.30pm

BLACKPOOL

Grand Theatre

Saturday 1 November at 7.30pm

WOKING

New Victoria Theatre

Sunday 2 November at 7.30pm

PORTSMOUTH

King's Theatre

Wednesday 5 November at 7.30pm

EASTBOURNE

Congress Theatre

Thursday 6 November at 7.30pm

TORQUAY

Princess Theatre

Friday 7 November at 7.30pm

BASINGSTOKE

The Anvil

Saturday 8 November at 7.45pm

DARTFORD

Orchard Theatre

Sunday 9 November at

DUNSTAPLE

Grove Theatre

Wednesday 12 November at 7.30pm

LIVERPOOL Empire Theatre

Thu 13 - Sat 15 November

at 7.30pm

BIRMINGHAM

Alexandra Theatre

Sunday 16 November at 7.30pm

YORK

Grand Opera House

Tuesday 18 November at 7.30pm

BRIGHTON

Theatre Royal

Wednesday 19 November

at 7.30pm

SOUTHEND

Cliff's Pavilion

Thursday 20 November at 8pm

CROYDON

Fairfield Hall

Friday 21 November at 7.30pm

READING

Hexagon Theatre

Saturday 22 November at 8pm

ST ALBANS

Alban Arena

Sunday 23 November at 7.30pm

MANCHESTER

Palace Theatre

Wednesday 26 November

at 7.30pm

ABERDEEEN

Music Hall

Thursday 27 November at 7.30pm

DUNFERMLINE

Alhambra

Friday 28 November at 7.30pm

DUNDEE

Caird Hall

Saturday 29 November at 7.30pm