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COMEDIAN LEWIS BLACK PERFORMS STAND UP CONCERT TO BENEFIT THE HUMAN RACE THEATRE COMPANY

October 11, 2015 event at Victoria Theatre is a rant for a good cause.

(Dayton, OH) — On Sunday, October 11, everyone's favorite curmudgeon, comedian/actor/playwright Lewis Black (*The Daily Show with Jon Stewart, Inside Out*), takes the Victoria Theatre stage in downtown Dayton for **Lewis Black in Concert: A Benefit to The Human Race (Theatre Company)**, a one-night-only stand up concert benefiting The Human Race Theatre Company, Dayton's premier professional regional theatre company. You'll laugh until you cry as the "King of Rant" himself skewers the absurdities of life in his trademark finger-wagging finest. Tickets begin at \$30 and are on sale now through Ticket Center Stage.

The Human Race will produce Mr. Black's comedy play, *One Slight Hitch*, on its 2015-2016 Loft Season, April 7 – 24, 2016.

"PATRON" SEATS/POST-SHOW RECEPTION

There are a select number of \$150 "Patron" tickets available which include prime center-section seats close to the stage, a Human Race Theatre "bling bag" and an exclusive post-show dessert reception with Lewis Black in The Loft Theatre lobby. The reception is hosted by Larry and Marilyn Klaben. \$50 of the "Patron" ticket price is a tax-deductible gift to The Human Race Theatre.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

The Sunday, October 11 performance is at the Victoria Theatre, located at 138 North Main Street in downtown Dayton, Ohio. Show time is 7:00 p.m.

The exclusive post-show reception with Lewis Black is in The Loft Theatre lobby, located on the third floor of the Metropolitan Art Center, located at 126 North Main Street, next to the Victoria Theatre. The meet and greet is for "Patron" ticket holders only.

ABOUT LEWIS BLACK

Though Lewis Black came to stand-up later in life, he quickly became one of the biggest comics of his generation. Often political, Black's trademark style is an angry boil that builds to a full-on shouting rant; his frustration with politics and society drive him from frustration to rage. Like

George Carlin, Richard Pryor and Bill Hicks before him, Black is fed up with the hypocrisy and madness he sees in the world, and his comedy is devoted to preaching that gospel to the unsuspecting masses. He is well-known to audiences from his regular segment, “Back in Black,” on *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart* and his numerous stand up concert shows which include *Black on Broadway*; *Red, White and Screwed*; *Stark Raving Black*; *In God We Rust* and the Grammy Award-winning *The Carnegie Hall Performance*. As an actor, he has appeared in the films *Accepted* and *Man of the Year* (with Robin Williams), and is currently the voice of “Anger” in the Walt Disney/Pixar animated film *Inside Out*. A prolific playwright for the past several decades, his wedding day comedy *One Slight Hitch* has recently received productions around the country.

For a full, in-depth biography on Mr. Black, please visit The Human Race Theatre Company’s website page on the October 11 concert.

Lewis Black in Concert: A Benefit to The Human Race (Theatre Company) is sponsored by Doug Annala and Sam Rinehart, and Maureen Lynch and Richard Lapedes. Cox Media Group Ohio is the media sponsor.

Tickets and performance information on Lewis Black in Concert: A Benefit to The Human Race (Theatre Company) are available at www.humanracetheatre.org or by calling Ticket Center Stage at (937) 228-3630, and at the Schuster Center box office.

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The Human Race Theatre Company was founded in 1986 and moved into the Metropolitan Arts Center in 1991, taking up residence at the 212-seat Loft Theatre. In addition to the Eichelberger Loft Season, The Human Race produces a summer Festival of New Works and special event programming. Under the direction of President and Artistic Director Kevin Moore, the company also maintains education and outreach programs for children, teens and adults, as well as artist residencies in area schools, The Muse Machine In-School Tour, and a summer youth program. Human Race organizational support is provided by Culture Works, the Montgomery County Arts and Cultural District, the Shubert Foundation, the Erma R. Catterton Trust Fund, the Jesse & Caryl Philips Foundation Fund for the Development of New Works, the Virginia W. Kettering Foundation and the Ohio Arts Council, which helped fund this organization with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, educational excellence and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. The 2015-2016 Sustainability Sponsors are the ELM Foundation, Anne F. Johnson and Steve and Lou Mason. The 2015-2016 Loft season sponsor is the Jack W. and Sally D. Eichelberger Foundation of the Dayton Foundation, with additional support from Premier Health and Morris Home Furnishings.

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For tickets:

Ticket Center Stage box office phone: (937) 228-3630 or (888) 228-3630

Box office hours: Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Schuster Center Box Office, and two hours prior to performances at the Victoria Theatre Box Office.

Online: www.humanracetheatre.org or www.ticketcenterstage.com

Ticket prices: \$30, \$50, \$65

“Patron” ticket price: \$150 (includes exclusive post-show meet and greet with Lewis Black and Human Race gift bag; \$50 tax-deductible contribution to The Human Race Theatre Company)