

CHICO AND THE GYPSIES ANNOUNCE UK TOUR FOR OCTOBER 2015

CHICO AND THE GYPSIES, legends in their native France and multi-platinum recording artists around the world, have announced they are to tour the UK in October 2015.

Following the success of the band's sold-out show at London's Theatre Royal Drury Lane in November 2014, the seven-date tour will start at Manchester's Bridgewater Hall on Friday, 16th October, and includes further dates in Scunthorpe (17th), Cambridge (18th), Birmingham (20th), Guildford (21st), Salisbury (22nd), and London (23rd).

Chico said, "I was so happy to be back in London after being away for twenty five years. The audience were just wonderful; it was a real Fiesta night."

"After the amazing reaction and support, we are all looking forward to touring the UK. It will be exciting for all of us visiting different parts of the U.K. and playing our Fiesta Gypsy Music for all to enjoy."

Chico Bouchikhi – co-founder of The Gipsy Kings and co-writer of their biggest hits (Djoubi Djoba, Bamboléo and Soy) – and his band will be touring to support the release of their latest album; FIESTA has already sold 100,000 copies in France where the single, a joyful revival of El Porompompero, the signature song of Spanish singer Manolo Escobar, topped the airplay charts.

Chico has built up a phenomenal worldwide audience of millions of music fans from his native France to Japan via Dubai; the band's infectious brand of rumba, flamenco and Latin pop and rock tunes is joyful, flamboyant and hugely entertaining.

The architect of the Gipsy Kings' success, Chico saw them become the first French group to be awarded a platinum disc in the US and go on to sell an estimated 20 million albums, making them the biggest world music crossover act.

Led by Chico, the line-up comprises Mounin, Joseph, Kema - Manitas de Plata's grandson - Babato, Tané, Kassaka and Rey - a nephew of Manitas de Plata.



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FRI 16th	MANCHESTER, Bridgewater Hall	0161 907 9000
SAT 17th	SCUNTHORPE Baths Hall	0844 854 2776
SUN 18th	CAMBRIDGE Corn Exchange	01223 357 851
TUE 20th	BIRMINGHAM Town Hall	0121 345 0602
WED 21st	GUILDFORD GLive	0844 770 1797
THU 22nd	SALISBURY City Hall	01722 434 434
FRI 23rd	LONDON O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire	0844 477 2000

There is a pre-sale via The Ticket Factory from 9.00am on Wednesday, 22nd April (<http://bit.ly/ChicoandTheGypsiesOct2015>), before tickets go on general sale at 9.00am on Friday, 24th April.

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