



# ROCK AND ROLL LEGENDS GUNS N' ROSES ANNOUNCE 2023 WORLD TOUR

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 RUPP ARENA | LEXINGTON, KY

## TICKETS ON SALE THIS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 AT 10AM AT RUPPARENA.COM

### POWERHOUSE ROCK BAND TO HEADLINE STADIUMS, FESTIVALS, AND ARENAS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, EUROPE, AND NORTH AMERICA

Presale Tickets Available Starting Wednesday, Feb 22 at 10 am Local Time; General On-Sale Begins Friday, Feb. 24 at 10 AM Local Time on GunsNRoses.com



For approved artist images and hi-res tour art, please download HERE.

Lexington, KY (February 21, 2023) – **Guns N' Roses** return to the road on a massive 2023 World Tour produced by **Live Nation**, headlining stadiums, festivals, and arenas throughout the summer and fall. The powerhouse rock band launch this jaunt in Tel Aviv, Israel and will continue across Europe through July. The band will continue onto North America and will visit historic venues across the country including a stop in **downtown Lexington at Rupp Arena on Wednesday, September 6.** 

Tickets will be available starting with the band's Nightrain Presale, beginning Wednesday February 22 at 10am local time. The general on-sale for all dates will start beginning Friday, February 24 at 10 AM local time on <u>gunsnroses.com</u>. Fans can also purchase VIP Packages, which may include premium tickets, VIP bar access throughout the show, invitation to the pre-show Paradise City

Go to www.livenation.com for more information.

All dates, acts and ticket prices are subject to change without notice. Ticket prices subject to applicable fees.



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This will be the first time the group have toured North America since the monumental *We're F'N Back! Tour* in 2021—which also steamrolled stadiums coast-to-coast including their first headliner at Banc of California Stadium in Los Angeles, CA. Meanwhile, their now-legendary *Not In This Lifetime... Tour* (2016-2019) stands out as the *"third-highest grossing tour of all time."* 

Expanding their influence across culture, **Guns N' Roses** also notably just sponsored **Erik Jones** and the **No. 43** in the **Daytona 500**. His race team, **Legacy Motor Club** is co-owned by **NASCAR** legends **Richard Petty** and **Jimmie Johnson** who shared his excitement on Twitter.

In other big news, the cinematic <u>music video</u> for "November Rain" has surpassed 2 billion views, elevating it to rarified air as "one of the most-viewed rock videos of all-time." Last year, they dropped the **Use Your Illusion I & II Super Deluxe Edition Box Set**. It is available <u>HERE</u>. The 4LP vinyl has already sold out.

Guns N' Roses will be unveiling more news and surprises soon. Get ready!

#### Visit: gunsnroses.com

#### ABOUT GUNS N' ROSES:

Guns N' Roses endure as the most dynamic, dangerous, and definitive American rock band in history to this day. Embedded in popular culture, their landmark diamond-selling 1987 opus, Appetite For Destruction, stands out as "the best-selling U.S. debut album ever" and "the 11<sup>th</sup> best-selling U.S. album of all time," while their Not In This Lifetime... Tour (2016-2019) ranked as the "fourth-highest grossing concert tour of all time." During 1991, Guns N' Roses shook the world with the one-two punch of the 7x-platinum Use Your Illusion I and Use Your Illusion II, clinching the top two spots of the Billboard 200 upon arrival. With total sales of 100 million units thus far, their catalog also consists of G N' R Lies (5x-platinum), The Spaghetti Incident? (platinum), Greatest Hits (5x-platinum), and Chinese Democracy (platinum). Not to mention, they are one of the most-streamed rock bands in the world with an average of 24 million monthly listeners on Spotify. Following the reunion of the century, they headlined Coachella and sold 5 million-plus tickets on the Not In This Lifetime... Tour. However, Guns N' Roses never stop with more touring on the horizon in 2023 and other surprises—the "Nightrain" keeps rolling at full speed.

Guns N' Roses are Axl Rose (vocals, piano), Duff McKagan (bass), Slash (lead guitar), Dizzy Reed (keyboard), Richard Fortus (rhythm guitar), Frank Ferrer (drums), and Melissa Reese (keyboard).

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#### **About Central Bank Center**

Located in Lexington, Kentucky, the **Lexington Center Corporation** (LCC) is a not-for-profit 501c3 corporate agency of the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government. It was established in 1974 to manage and maintain Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center, the Central Bank Center (formerly Lexington Convention Center), Triangle Park, and the Lexington Opera House. One of the nation's most storied entertainment destinations, Central Bank Center venues collectively welcome an average of 1.3 million patrons annually.

Since 1976, **Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center** has served as the home court of the University of Kentucky men's basketball team, regularly leading the national attendance average. Rupp Arena has hosted legendary artists such as Justin Timberlake, Paul McCartney, Garth Brooks, Chris Stapleton, and many more. Since 2018, Oak View Group and Live Nation Arenas have provided booking services to Rupp Arena. During the last 18 months, Rupp Arena has broken all previous audience attendance and revenue records in its storied 43-year history.

**The Lexington Opera House**, built in 1886 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is one of the premier performing arts centers in the region. Since its opening, the Opera House has played host to such famous stage performers as W.C. Fields, The Marx Brothers, Al Jolson, Julie Harris, Steve Martin, Brian Wilson, and Graham Nash. It has undergone two major renovations and remains a cultural destination in downtown Lexington.

**The Central Bank Center** holds over 200 meetings, trade shows, and special events annually. It just completed a transformative \$310 million expansion, featuring a dramatic, light-filled architectural design that offers over 200,000 SF of flexible meeting and event space. For more, visit <u>www.centralbankcenter.com</u> or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter.

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