

**COMEDIAN NATE BARGATZE ANNOUNCES A STOP AT RUPP ARENA
ON FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2024
FOR HIS 2023-24 *THE BE FUNNY TOUR***

Tickets Go on Sale Friday, October 27 at 10am Local at natebargatze.com



LEXINGTON, KY (October 24, 2023) – Comedian **Nate Bargatze** announced new dates for his 2023-2024 **THE BE FUNNY TOUR**, including a stop at Rupp Arena on Friday, May 10, 2024. The new dates may be found below.

Tickets go on sale **Friday, October 27 at 10am local time** with **artist presale beginning Wednesday, October 25 at 10am local time** (code: FUNNY) at natebargatze.com.

Hailed as “The Nicest Man in Stand-Up,” by [The Atlantic Magazine](#) and a “Rising Star,” by [CBS Morning](#), 2021 Grammy nominated comedian, podcaster, director and producer Nate Bargatze is selling out shows around the world. Bargatze will make his debut appearance hosting Saturday Night Live on October 28th on NBC/Peacock.

An Old Hickory, Tennessee native, Bargatze followed in the showbiz footsteps of his father, a former clown turned world class magician, who’s influence is seen on his’s 2015 debut Comedy Central special, *Full Time Magic* and his debut album, *Yelled at By a Clown*, which reached #1 on the iTunes Comedy Charts and remained on Billboard’s Top Ten Comedy Charts for weeks.

Bargatze’s half-hour Netflix Special *The Standups*, premiered in 2017 and his first solo one-hour Netflix special, *The Tennessee Kid*, premiered globally with rave reviews in 2019. In 2021, he released his critically acclaimed second Netflix special, *The Greatest Average American*, which received a Grammy nomination for Best Comedy Album. On January 31st, Nate released his latest and third one-hour special, *Nate Bargatze: Hello World*, on Amazon Prime which now holds the record as Amazon’s most-streamed original comedy special in its first 28 days of viewership.

On April 15th 2023, Bargatze broke the attendance record at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville with 19,365 tickets sold. This month, he also broke the record for tickets sold at The Delta Center in Salt Lake City with 32,638 fans attending – the highest amount ever sold by a comedian at the venue.

He was also recently signed to Universal Music Group Nashville as their flagship comedian under their new Capitol Comedy label.

Bargatze’s comedy is both clean and relatable, evident in his 13 appearances on *The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*. He also appeared on *Conan* four times and has appeared on Seth Meyers and James Corden respective late night shows.

He was a recurring guest on *@midnight* and had his own Comedy Central Presents in 2011. Off-screen, Bargatze was part of *Jimmy Fallon's Clean-Cut Comedy Tour*, and has performed live shows for the troops in Iraq and Kuwait five times. In addition to touring the country as a headliner, Nate toured arenas with Chris Rock on his 2017 *Total Blackout Tour*. He has performed at SXSW, Oddball Comedy Festival, Sasquatch, Clusterfest, and the JFL Montreal Comedy Festival, where he’s received critical acclaim multiple years in a row.

Bargatze was featured as one of Esquire's “Best New Comedians” by Jim Gaffigan, one of Marc Maron's “Comedians to Watch” in Rolling Stone, one of Variety’s “10 Comics to Watch” for 2015, and as #1 on Vulture's ‘50 Comedians You Should Know’ in 2015. He also appeared on the cover of Variety’s annual comedy issue in 2022.

Bargatze is currently on his *The Be Funny Tour* with all new material. For more information and tickets go to: natebargatze.com.

NATE BARGATZE: THE BE FUNNY TOUR

Wednesday, November 1, 2023	Peoria, IL	Peoria Civic Center
Thursday, November 2, 2023	Peoria, IL	Peoria Civic Center
Friday, November 3, 2023	Chicago, IL	Chicago Theatre (7pm & 9:30pm)
Saturday, November 4, 2023	Chicago, IL	Chicago Theatre (4pm & 7pm)
Sunday, November 5, 2023	Chicago, IL	Chicago Theatre (5pm & 8pm)
Friday, November 10, 2023	Las Vegas, NV	Wynn Las Vegas - Encore Theater (7:30pm & 10:30pm)
Saturday, November 11, 2023	Las Vegas, NV	Wynn Las Vegas - Encore Theater (7:30pm & 10:30pm)
Friday, November 17, 2023	Cleveland, OH	KeyBank State Theatre (7pm & 9:30pm)
Saturday, November 18, 2023	Cleveland, OH	KeyBank State Theatre (7pm & 9:30pm)
Sunday, November 19, 2023	Erie, PA	Warner Theater (4pm & 7pm)
Thursday, November 30, 2023	Savannah, GA	Savannah Civic Center - Johnny Mercer Theatre (7pm & 9:30pm)
Friday, December 1, 2023	Knoxville, TN	Knoxville Civic Coliseum
Sunday, December 3, 2023	Knoxville, TN	Knoxville Civic Coliseum (3pm & 7pm)
Thursday, December 7, 2023	Evans, GA	Columbia County Performing Arts Center
Friday, December 8, 2023	Atlanta, GA	State Farm Arena
Sunday, December 10, 2023	Atlanta, GA	State Farm Arena
Saturday, December 9, 2023	Tampa, FL	Amalie Arena (3pm & 7pm)
Friday, December 15, 2023	Ottumwa, IA	Bridge View Center
Saturday, December 16, 2023	Davenport, IA	Adler Theatre (4pm & 7pm)
Sunday, December 31, 2023	Sunrise, FL	Amerant Bank Arena Nateland presents Nate Bargatze - New Year’s Eve Extravaganza!
Friday, January 12, 2024	Columbus, OH	Nationwide Arena
Saturday, January 13, 2024	Cincinnati, OH	Heritage Bank Center
Sunday, January 14, 2024	Charlotte, NC	Spectrum Center
Thursday, January 18, 2024	Newark, NJ	Prudential Center
Friday, January 19, 2024	Reading, PA	Santander Arena
Saturday, January 20, 2024	Poughkeepsie, NY	MJN Convention Center
Sunday, January 21, 2024	Toronto, ON	Scotiabank Arena
Thursday, January 25, 2024	Spokane, WA	Spokane Arena
Friday, January 26, 2024	Portland, OR	Moda Center

Saturday, January 27, 2024	Everett, WA	Angel of the Winds Arena
Sunday, January 28, 2024	Vancouver, BC	Rogers Arena
Thursday, February 8, 2024	Madison, WI	Alliant Energy Center
Friday, February 9, 2024	Omaha, NE	CHI Health Center
Saturday, February 10, 2024	Kansas City, MO	T-Mobile Center
Friday, February 16, 2024	Estero, FL	Hertz Arena
Saturday, February 17, 2024	Orlando, FL	Amway Center
Friday, February 23, 2024	Fairfax, VA	EagleBank Arena
Saturday, February 24, 2024	Providence, RI	Amica Mutual Pavilion
Sunday, February 25, 2024	Bangor, ME	Cross Insurance Center
Thursday, March 7, 2024	Philadelphia, PA	Wells Fargo Center
Friday, March 8, 2024	Syracuse, NY	The Oncenter
Saturday, March 9, 2024	Albany, NY	MVP Arena
Wednesday, March 20, 2024	Las Vegas, NV	Wynn Las Vegas - Encore Theater (7:30pm & 10:30pm)
Friday, March 22, 2024	Las Vegas, NV	Wynn Las Vegas - Encore Theater (7:30pm & 10:30pm)
Saturday, March 23, 2024	Las Vegas, NV	Wynn Las Vegas - Encore Theater (7:30pm & 10:30pm)
Sunday, March 24, 2024	Boston, MA	TD Garden
Thursday, April 4, 2024	Stateline, NV	Tahoe Blue Event Center
Friday, April 5, 2024	Sacramento, CA	Golden 1 Center
Saturday, April 6, 2024	Anaheim, CA	Honda Center
Friday, April 12, 2024	San Jose, CA	SAP Center
Saturday, April 13, 2024	Phoenix, AZ	Footprint Center
Saturday, April 20, 2024	San Antonio, TX	Majestic Theatre
Sunday, April 21, 2024	Austin, TX	Moody Center
Thursday, April 25, 2024	Corpus Christi, TX	American Bank Center
Friday, May 3, 2024	Loveland, CO	Blue Arena
Saturday, May 4, 2024	Colorado Springs, CO	The Broadmoor World Arena
Sunday, May 5, 2024	Rio Rancho, NM	Rio Rancho Events Center
Thursday, May 9, 2024	Asheville, NC	Harrah's Cherokee Center Asheville - ExploreAsheville.com Arena
Friday, May 10, 2024	Lexington, KY	Rupp Arena
Saturday, May 11, 2024	Birmingham, AL	Legacy Arena at the BJCC
Sunday, May 12, 2024	Greensboro, NC	Greensboro Coliseum
Saturday, June 22, 2024	St. Louis, MO	The Fabulous Fox Theatre
Sunday, June 23, 2024	St. Louis, MO	The Fabulous Fox Theatre
Friday, June 21, 2024	St. Louis, MO	The Fabulous Fox Theatre
Thursday, June 27, 2024	Indianapolis, IN	Gainbridge Fieldhouse

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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 www.centralbankcenter.com or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter.

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