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Elephant Man's Canadian Tour Continues It's Fight For Success!

(Toronto/Kingston) The Let's Get Physical Canadian Tour Starring Reggae superstar Elephant Man continues to fight for success, with several hurdles in the way, Elephant Man still rose to the occasion and flew into Winnipeg, Manitoba on Thursday September 20th for the start of his highly anticipated 13 city Canadian Tour.

6 cities later, Elephant Man has successfully performed for thousands of fans across Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver, Victoria & Barrie, impressing promoters & club owners with his professionalism and enthusiastic audiences with his stage show, which skilfully blends over 75 minutes of hits from his large catalogue.

Recently targeted by gay and lesbian rights activists, the road to success has been a tough one. The 13 city tour has been attacked with several twisted reports that have misrepresented the artist and the status of remaining shows on the tour. With 6 shows completed the tour still has 7 more on its schedule with a last minute show just added on Monday October 1st at the Music Hall in London, Ontario.

Due to these attacks Elephant Man was recently banned from performing at 1 of his 13 shows on Saturday September 29th at the C.A.W Hall in St.Catharine's making them the first venue on the tour to practice censorship against him. The decision to ban Elephant Man was heavily influenced by an LGBT committee affiliated with C.A.W Hall. Countless efforts by the shows promoters which included obtaining documents signed by Elephant Man stating that he will not perform any anti gay material during his show still failed. C.A.W Hall was however willing to continue the event with the other two headliners booked for the show (International Soca stars Iwer George & Denise Belfon) but the promoters felt it was not fair to the hundreds of people who have already purchased tickets for the show and want to celebrate and enjoy the Caribbean culture that Elephant Man's music delivers. Early Thursday morning promoters of the St.Catharine's show announced a new venue had been secured for Saturdays show it will now be held at Fahrenheit Nightclub located at 57 Carlisle St. Downtown St Catharine's.

Elephant Man's remaining Canadian tour dates will proceed as planned including a major show this Sunday September 30th in Kitchener, Ontario with Hip Hop Legend NAS at The Centre In The Square and upcoming stops this week and next in Toronto, London, Kingston, Ottawa & Montreal.

Kitchener based booking agent Rahim Visram of Ultimate Entertainment.ca & Toronto based Chris Hines Ent. Are wondering why so many of our successful black reggae entertainers are persecuted in this manner? Several reggae entertainers that have faced these issues at some point like Buju Banton, Capleton, Beenie Man, Sizzla, & Bounty Killer have all been successfully toured by us in Canada within the last 2 years. Most of these artists have covered up to 8 to 13 cities across our beautiful country, without a single report of violence or injustice towards any members of the gay and lesbian community or anyone for that matter.

Promising to fight until the end Ultimate Entertainment.ca & Chris Hines Ent. feel Elephant Man has been targeted unfairly.

"The songs were written in the early stages of Elephant Man's career, he has since realized that all human life is important and has agreed not to perform or record any new anti gay material. Elephant Man has made some mistakes in his life just like all of us in our younger days, but why are they acting as if he is still performing and recording these lyrics in Canada? Those people who just accept these lies simply just don't know the facts and don't do their research before

making decisions or forming opinions and this is not fair to Elephant Man, promoters & fans around Canada and us the booking agents who work hard at uplifting and spreading the Caribbean & urban music culture across Canada. The fact that the gay community is very influential and carry a lot of weight doesn't help us at all either! They have to stop painting such an ugly picture of who Elephant Man is and what his music is all about!" Says Rahim Visram President Of Ultimate Entertainment.ca "

Rahim Visram continued "We always do the proper research on every artist we choose to tour and we did the same for Elephant Man, realizing that he has already apologized for his actions several times when asked, we decided to support him. We also realize that Elephant Man's music no longer reflects any sort of anti-gay views. His music is positive and uplifting now and that is what we represent at Ultimate Entertainment.ca & Chris Hines Entertainment. We encourage people of all creeds to get together in unity and enjoy spiritual uplifting music! We are also trying to reach out to various media outlets so that there can be a bit more dialogue and balance on this issue. We will continue to do this and give the people a chance to hear both sides. Elephant Man is ready to speak on these issues and we are asking all media outlets to contact us for a chance to interview him. Also for the record, I want to make it clear that we do not, in any way, condone violence against any race or person for religious beliefs, personal preferences or sexual orientation"

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