



## THE LEGENDARY SHAOLIN MONKS RETURN TO THE UK FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SEVEN YEARS

*"Hair-raising brilliance"* - Daily Telegraph

*'Jaw-Dropping'* Evening Standard

**"The most spectacular piece of theatre on stage"** The Times

For the first time in seven years, following their globally acclaimed 'Wheel of Life' and 'Kung Fu Masters' tours, the phenomenal Shaolin Monks return to London with an outstanding new show simply titled **SHAOLIN**.

Twenty Shaolin monks will take to the stage to demonstrate their martial arts expertise in an awe-inspiring performance. The show embarks upon a three-week run at **The Peacock Theatre, London from 29 September – 17 October 2015**. **TICKETS GO ON SALE PRICED £15 - £38.00 via [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com) from 9am on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014.**

The show follows their participation on the new ITV show 'Get Your Act Together' which airs in early 2015.

Direct from the fabled Shaolin temple in the foothills of the Song Shang mountain range in China's Henan province The Shaolin Monks will make an exciting return to London to demonstrate their authentic martial arts expertise.

**SHAOLIN** is the ultimate display of theatre and physical prowess. The twenty-member cast perform incredible "superhuman" feats. The show combines traditional Shaolin Kung Fu, inch perfect choreography with dramatic lighting and sound that evokes the spirit of their traditions in one breathtaking performance.

The Shaolin Temple is the birthplace of Kung Fu. These are the very best Shaolin Kung Fu experts on the planet and they have come together to create a show that will eclipse any previous performances audiences have ever seen.

The show will take audiences on an intrepid journey through the mystical history of this ancient martial art and demonstrate the beautiful movements of Chi with spectacular weapons and combat demonstrations.

Depicting the history, philosophy and story of the Shaolin Monks in an authentic and spectacular performance, **SHAOLIN** will vividly illustrate the rarely-seen Kung Fu masters' feats of agility strength and skill, using Buddhist Meditation and rigorous martial arts training.

The Shaolin Monks are the ultimate masters of Kung Fu: Buddhist soldier monks who have refined defensive martial arts over a period of fifteen centuries to a rare and spectacular point of perfection. **SHAOLIN** showcases the near-miraculous feats of physical endurance, which are the outward expressions of an inner peace, harmony and iron will.

The Shaolin Monks are lifted aloft on sharpened spears, break marble slabs with their heads, perform handstands on two finger tips, splinter wooden staves with their bodies, break bricks on their heads and fly through the air in a series of incredible back flips.

An extravaganza, with impressive backdrops, dramatic music, and stunning production, **SHAOLIN** will combine the rich vocabulary of the Chinese theatre, the traditional iconography of oriental Buddhism and the technical sophistication of the contemporary music arena. But at its heart are the awe-inspiring skills of the monks themselves.

This is a thrilling show that has to be seen to be believed!

### **'SHAOLIN'**

29 Sept – 17 October 2015

The Peacock . Portugal St, London WC2A 2HT

Tues- Sat at 7.30pm, Saturday matinees at 2.30pm, Sun at 6pm, and matinees at 2.00pm

Ticket Prices: £15.00 - £38.00 plus booking fee.

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