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Prepare yourselves, Philly! We're thrilled to announce the upcoming engagement of @mrballen #TheStrangeDarkandMysteriousTour. Get ready to explore the eerie and extraordinary with the master of chilling tales, presented by @EnsembleArtsPhilly (Facebook/Instagram)/@EnsembleArtsPHL (Twitter/X) and @livenation. For more info, visit www.ensembleartsphilly.org

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**ENSEMBLE ARTS PHILLY, IN ASSOCIATION WITH
LIVE NATION, PRESENTS MRBALLEN
ON HIS FIRST-EVER LIVE TOUR,
THE STRANGE, DARK & MYSTERIOUS TOUR,
OCTOBER 12, 2024**

"MrBallen's performances are a testament to the power of storytelling to connect people and spark conversations about the unknown." – *The New York Times*

"A chilling exploration of the unknown..." – *The Hollywood Reporter*

**"An unforgettable evening of eerie tales and thought-provoking discussions."
– *The Chicago Tribune***

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (August 29, 2024) – Ensemble Arts Philly, in association with Live Nation, is thrilled to welcome **MrBallen**, the top true crime podcast host and one of the internet's biggest storytellers, on his first-ever live tour, ***The Strange, Dark & Mysterious Tour***, at the Miller Theater on October 12, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. The renowned storyteller has captured millions of hearts worldwide through his knack for weaving thrilling tales that tread the paths of the strange, dark, and mysterious. This tour marks his first venture into live performing, off the digital platform, taking his unusual tales from the screen to the stage.

"MrBallen brings an interesting perspective and personal background to the digital storytelling community, appealing to lovers of true crime, mystery, and the art of a well-told story," said Frances Egler, Vice President of Theatrical Programming and Presentations. "This one-night-only event enables Philadelphia fans to engage outside the screen with this captivating, flesh-and-blood narrator."

John Allen, known globally as “MrBallen,” has been captivating audiences for years with his unique brand of storytelling, covering strange and mysterious phenomena ranging from true crime to paranormal to unexplained disappearances. Deeply researched and seriously compelling, both MrBallen’s YouTube channel and the hit *MrBallen Podcast: Strange, Dark & Mysterious Stories* rapidly gained a devoted fanbase for the raconteur himself and for the rarely-before-covered unsettling occurrences and true crimes that have taken place throughout the world.

Earlier this year, Ballen Studios announced the upcoming publication of MrBallen’s first book, *MrBallen Presents: Strange, Dark & Mysterious*. The graphic novel by MrBallen will contain hand-drawn adaptations of mysterious stories based on true events from his incredibly popular YouTube channel and additional new, exclusive stories. The graphic novel will be available for purchase at all tour stops and anywhere books are sold on October 1, 2024.

Other featured upcoming performances include ***An Evening with Fran Lebowitz*** (September 7, 2024, Miller Theater); ***The Life and Music of George Michael*** (September 19, 2024, Miller Theater); **Leslie Jones: LIVE** (September 21, 2024, Miller Theater); **Hannah Gadsby: WOOF!** (September 22, 2024, Miller Theater); ***An Evening with Ina Garten*** (October 9, 2024, Academy of Music); **Mike Birbiglia: *Please Stop the Ride*** (October 11, 2024, Academy of Music); **Brian Regan** (October 18, 2024, Miller Theater); **Tommy Tiernan: *Tommedian*** (October 26, 2024, Perelman Theater); **Girls Gotta Eat: *No Crumbs Tour*** (October 26, 2024, Miller Theater); ***The Rocky Horror Picture Show 49th Anniversary Spectacular Tour with Barry Bostwick*** (October 29, 2024, Miller Theater); **Eddie B: *Teachers Only Comedy Tour*** (November 1, 2024, Miller Theater); **Pinky Patel: *#isaidwhatisaid Tour*** (November 2, 2024, Perelman Theater); and **Dan and Phil: *Terrible Influence*** (November 8, 2024, Miller Theater).

Tickets

Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999 or online at www.ensembleartsphilly.org. In-person ticket sales can be conducted daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Academy of Music Box Office, located at 240 S. Broad Street. See www.ensembleartsphilly.org for more information.

MrBallen: *The Strange, Dark & Mysterious Tour*

Miller Theater

Saturday, October 12, 2024, at 8:00 p.m.

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