

SQUEEZE

EXTRA DATES ADDED TO 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR DUE TO PHENOMENAL DEMAND + SPECIAL GUEST BADLY DRAWN BOY

TICKETS FOR THE EXTRA DATES GO ON SALE 10:00AM, FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER HERE

London, UK (8.12.23) – due to phenomenal demand, **Squeeze** have today announced extra dates to their 50th anniversary UK tour for 2024. With a half-century distinguished by some of the smartest and sweetest guitar-pop made during the rock & roll era, **Squeeze** will be performing an impressive list of hits, rare gems from their extensive back catalogue along with a few new surprises. They will be joined by special guest **Badly Drawn Boy**.

New dates for the celebratory tour now include a second London show at Camden's Roundhouse, second shows in Glasgow and Southend plus shows in Bath, Hull, Halifax, and Folkestone. Tickets for the extra dates go on sale 10:00AM, Friday 15th December via www.gigsandtours.com and www.ticketmaster.co.uk, with all other dates on sale now.

Squeeze are one of rock's vital institutions, a band who carved out a distinctive place in the pop firmament with their vibrantly melodic, perceptive songs. Those songs were written by **Chris Difford** and **Glenn Tilbrook**, the composers who have remained at the heart of **Squeeze** since its inception. 70s and 80s Hits such as 'Up the Junction', 'Cool for Cats', 'Another Nail in My Heart', 'Hourglass' and 'Tempted' led critics to label Difford and Tilbrook the "next Lennon and McCartney", an assessment that wasn't proven to be hyperbole.

Squeeze in the 1990s delivered exquisitely crafted records - 'Play', 'Some Fantastic Place', 'Ridiculous' and 'Domino'. Reuniting in 2007 after solo careers, the ensuing decades have found **Squeeze** continuing to build their formidable body of work, with the release of the vigorous comeback albums 'Cradle to the Grave' and 'The Knowledge'. **Squeeze** have stayed on the road through the early 2020s, taking time to record the 'Food for Thought' charity EP in 2022 raising foods and funds for food banks.

With Difford and Tilbrook joined by bassist Owen Biddle, guitarist Melvin Duffy, percussionist Steve Smith, keyboardist Stephen Large and drummer Simon Hanson - the sound and spirit of **Squeeze remains vital and vibrant** for its fiftieth year.

Squeeze have confirmed that they will once again be supporting charity **The Trussell Trust**, which provides emergency food and support to people who cannot afford the essentials, while campaigning for change to end the need for food banks in the UK. Fans are invited on the tour to bring along food donations to the shows, where there will be collection points across the venue each night. There will also be collection buckets for any cash donations. All donations will be distributed to people in crisis across the 1,300 food bank centres in **the Trussell Trust** network. Visit **trusselltrust.org/donate-food** to find out how to make a donation to your local food bank and the items they most need this winter.

Joining **Squeeze** on their 50th anniversary festivities is one of the UK's most treasured songwriters **Damon Gough aka Badly Drawn Boy**, who also recently celebrated a musical milestone, 25 years of releasing music. From his still-towering, Mercury Prize winning debut The Hour Of Bewilderbeast in 2000 to the enthralling soundtrack to Nick Hornby adaptation About A Boy (from 2002); **Badly Drawn Boy's** beautiful and eclectic discography spans over nine albums including Have You Fed The Fish? (also 2002) Born In The U.K. (2006)



and his most recent album Banana Skin Shoes in 2020. His set will feature a career-spanning set of hits and fan favourites.

Squeeze's 36 date nationwide tour, culminating at London's Royal Albert Hall, is only part of their 50th anniversary celebrations. Difford and Tilbrook are currently working on their first new material since The Knowledge and are deep diving into the archives for previously unreleased material. Watch this space....

Squeeze 50th Anniversary UK Tour + special guest Badly Drawn Boy

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Wed 13 Nov 2024 Bath Forum

Thu 14 Nov 2024 Hull Connexin Live Fri 15 Nov 2024 Stockton Globe

Sun 17 Nov 2024 Halifax Victoria Theatre
Mon 18 Nov 2024 Glasgow Royal Concert Hall
Wed 20 Nov 2024 Southend Cliffs Pavilion
Thu 21 Nov 2024 Folkestone Leas Cliffs Hall
Fri 22 Nov 2024 London Roundhouse

Tickets available **HERE**

Fri 04 Oct 2024 Sheffield City Hall

Sat 05 Oct 2024 Birmingham Symphony Hall SOLD OUT

Fri 06 Oct 2024 Birmingham Symphony Hall

Tue 08 Oct 2024 Aberdeen Music Hall Wed 09 Oct 2024 Edinburgh Usher Hall

Fri 11 Oct 2024 Glasgow Royal Concert Hall SOLD OUT

Sat 12 Oct 2024 Manchester O2 Apollo Sun 13 Oct 2024 Newcastle O2 City Hall

Tue 15 Oct 2024 Stoke-On-Trent Regent Theatre
Thu 17 Oct 2024 Nottingham Royal Concert Hall

Fri 18 Oct 2024 York Barbican SOLD OUT
Sat 19 Oct 2024 Liverpool M&S Bank Arena
Mon 21 Oct 2024 Llandudno Venue Cymru Theatre

Tue 22 Oct 2024 Leicester De Montfort Hall

Wed 23 Oct 2024 Cambridge Corn Exchange

Fri 25 Oct 2024 Ipswich Regent

Sat 26 Oct 2024 Southend Cliffs Pavilion SOLD OUT Sun 27 Oct 2024 Southampton Mayflower Theatre

Tue 29 Oct 2024 Guildford G Live
Wed 30 Oct 2024 Bristol Beacon
Fri 01 Nov 2024 Cardiff Utilita Arena
Sat 02 Nov 2024 Brighton Centre
Sun 03 Nov 2024 Plymouth Pavilions

Tue 05 Nov 2024 Aylesbury Waterside Theatre
Thu 07 Nov 2024 Reading Hexagon SOLD OUT

Fri 08 Nov 2024 Swansea Arena

Sat 09 Nov 2024 Eastbourne Congress Theatre
Mon 11 Nov 2024 London Royal Albert Hall SOLD OUT

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THE TRUSSELL TRUST

After many years of fundraising and awareness activities with Squeeze and as a solo artist, Glenn Tilbrook, recently accepted an invitation to become an Ambassador for the anti-poverty charity, the Trussell Trust. Squeeze have confirmed that they will once again be supporting the charity, which provides emergency food and support to people who cannot afford the essentials, while campaigning for change to end the need for food banks in the UK.

Right now, millions of people across the country are experiencing hunger and have no option but to turn to a food bank for support. Food banks in the Trussell Trust network gave out a record 1.5 million emergency food parcels between April and September 2023. This will be the busiest winter ever at food banks, who are already stretched to breaking point and urgently need food donations to continue to be there for people who need them right now.

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You can donate food at our shows or, if you want to make a difference right now, make a donation this winter to your local food bank. Squeeze thank you in advance for your generosity and look forward to seeing you at the shows