



Rahman embarks on world tour

Composer's concerts to start in New York

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Oscar- and Grammy-winning Indian composer A.R. Rahman ("Slumdog Millionaire") has joined hands with creative director Amy Tinkham for his Jai Ho Concert: The Journey Home World Tour.

The tour will kick off at New York's Nassau Coliseum on June 11 and conclude at London's Wembley Arena on July 26. The tour, produced by Deepak Gattani, will travel to more than 20 cities around the world including Los Angeles, Washington D.C., Paris, Amsterdam, Oslo, Glasgow and Toronto.

The concerts, which will feature music from Rahman's film soundtracks, will also include the composer's collaborations with Michael Jackson, who he was working with before his death last year.

Tinkham has created live-music concerts for Britney Spears and Mariah Carey, among other musicians.

A spokesperson for Rahman described the tour as "a theatrical experience that will blend new technologies with powerful dance arrangements and acrobatics."

Rahman's concert in Sydney in January attracted more than 40,000 people.

He recently participated in the "We Are the World" recording for Haiti victims.

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