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## **ALL FOUR ORIGINAL MEMBERS OF**



## **RETURN WITH TRIUMPHANT 2006 U.S. REUNION TOUR**

Geoff Downes, Steve Howe, Carl Palmer, and John Wetton, the four original members of ASIA are currently thrilling US audiences with a reunion tour that has packed venues from coast to coast and gathered rave reviews from fans and critics, alike. Performing material from the band's first two albums and rock classics made famous from the member's other bands (Yes, Emerson, Lake, & Palmer, King Crimson, and The Buggles). ASIA has quickly become one of the hottest tickets of the summer season.

"Our initial optimism was more than rewarded by the enthusiasm of our fans." says, John Wetton. Adds Geoff Downes: " It's great finally to give something musically back to those Asia fans who have remained with us patiently all these years. Many of them never were able to see the band on the original tours we did."

The group kicked off their first tour together in 23 years with a sold out show at The Water Street Music Hall in Rochester, NY on August 29th, and has continued on its 19 city tour playing to thousands of delighted fans. Some high points have included a two day run at New York City's prestigious Nokia Theater on September 8th and 9th, and headlining the annual Oyster Festival in Norwalk, CT to an enthusiastic crowd of over 6,000. Sold out concerts in Philadelphia, Chicago, and Milwaukee followed, and the band departed for the West Coast on September 18th to conclude its tour with shows in Los Angeles, Phoenix, Las Vegas, and Palm Desert.

The nearly two hour show features all of original Asia's biggest hits ("Heat Of The Moment," "Only Time Will Tell," "Sole Survivor," "Wildest Dreams," "Here Comes The Feeling,"), as well as two unplugged songs from its second album ("Don't Cry" and "The Smile Has Left Your Eyes,") Songs such as Yes' "Roundabout", ELP's "Fanfare For The Common Man", The Buggles "Video Killed The Radio Star", and King Crimson's "Court of The Crimson King", help make Asia's concerts an unforgettable experience.

"The response to this tour shows how much our music still means to these fans," says drummer Carl Palmer. "We look forward to more tours in the future and the opportunity to reach out to as many fans as possible."

## **2006 ORIGINAL ASIA TOUR DATES**

Tues August 29 ROCHESTER, NY – Water Street Music Hall  
Thur August 31 ATLANTIC CITY, NJ - Trump Marina Casino  
Fri September 1 JIM THORPE, PA – Penn's Peak  
Sat September 2 NIAGARA FALLS, NY - Seneca Niagara Casino  
Sun September 3 MASHATUCKET, CT - Foxwood Casino  
Thur September 7 BOSTON, MA - Avalon Ballroom  
Fri September 8 NEW YORK, NY - Nokia Theater  
Sat September 9 NEW YORK, NY - Nokia Theater  
Sun September 10 NORWALK, CT - Oyster Festival  
Tues September 12 RED BANK, NJ - Count Basie Theater  
Wed September 13 PHILADELPHIA, PA - Keswick Theater  
Fri September 15 CLEVELAND, OH - House of Blues  
Sat September 16 CHICAGO, IL - Park West  
Sun September 17 MILWAUKEE, WI - Pabst Theater  
Wed September 20 LONG BEACH, CA - The Vault  
Thur September 21 LAS VEGAS, NV - House of Blues  
Fri September 22 FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ - Fort McDowell Resort & Casino  
Sat September 23 LOS ANGELES, CA - Canyon Club  
Sun September 24 PALM DESERT, CA - McCallum Theater

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