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## Russell Brand Offers Exclusive VIP "Meet-and-Greet Package" to Benefit David Lynch Foundation and Bring Meditation to 1,000,000 At-Risk Youth

Limited Packages Available at Select Stops of Brand's "Messiah Complex World Tour"

New York, NY – August 22, 2013: Actor and comedian Russell Brand will sell a limited number of VIP ticket packages for his 2013 "Messiah Complex World Tour" to benefit the David Lynch Foundation, a nonprofit charity that provides meditation instruction at no charge to at-risk communities including inner-city students, homeless adults and teens, abused women and veterans with post-traumatic stress. Each package includes one premium reserved ticket located close to the stage, a meet-and-greet with Brand, a personal photograph autographed by Brand, a copy of David Lynch's documentary *Meditation, Creativity, Peace* and Lynch's book, *Catching the Big Fish: Meditation, Consciousness and Creativity*.

"Russell Brand is a great comedian and a great human being. I am very grateful that he is supporting the Foundation's work to bring Transcendental Meditation to one million at-risk youth around the world," said David Lynch, filmmaker and founder and chair of the David Lynch Foundation.

"I have become a better person through Transcendental Meditation, and I want to help bring this gift to others," said Brand, a four-year meditator and supporter of the David Lynch Foundation.

The "Messiah Complex World Tour" examines "the importance of heroes in this age of atheistic disposability." "Meet-and-Greet" packages are available for purchase for select stops of the multicity comedy tour by visiting <a href="http://future-beat.com/artist.cfm?id=143">http://future-beat.com/artist.cfm?id=143</a>.

The David Lynch Foundation (DLF) brings Transcendental Meditation to underserved populations and has provided scholarships for over 300,000 at-risk youth to meditate worldwide. The Foundation has received public support from Hollywood luminaries such as **Oprah Winfrey**, **Ellen DeGeneres**, **Jerry Seinfeld**, **Martin Scorsese**, **Laura Dern**, **Cameron Diaz**, **Naomi Watts** and **Gwyneth Paltrow**.

The benefits of meditation have been studied and found effective by the Harvard School of Medicine, the National Institutes of Health, the U.S. Department of Defense, the American Heart Association and the American Medical Association. Meditation has been proven to reduce acute and chronic stress and stress-related disorders, decrease anxiety and depression, help individuals overcome addictions and

simultaneously develop the brain and creative potential of the individual for a healthy, productive and self-sufficient life.

For media inquiries or more information about the David Lynch Foundation, contact Rida Bint Fozi at The TASC Group at 646-723-4344 or rida@thetascgroup.com.

## **About the David Lynch Foundation**

The David Lynch Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, was established in 2005 to fund the implementation of scientifically proven stress-reducing modalities including Transcendental Meditation, for at-risk populations such as underserved inner-city students; veterans with PTSD and their families; women and girls who have been victims of violence, rape, and abuse, American Indians suffering from diabetes and high suicide rates; homeless adults and teens participating in reentry programs; and incarcerated adults and juveniles. For more information, visit www.davidlynchfoundation.org.

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