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Internationally-acclaimed, gender-dismantling author, poet, comedian, speaker and artist, AlokVMenon (Facebook/Instagram) performs two thought-provoking, entertaining shows @KimmelCC (Twitter)/@KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook and Instagram) on 11/5. For more info, visit kimmelculturalcampus.org.

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KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS GENDER-DISMANTLING MIXED-MEDIA ARTIST ALOK FOR THOUGHT-PROVOKING COMEDY AND MORE NOVEMBER 5, 2022

“The 31-year-old nonbinary artist has amassed more than 1 million followers on Instagram by leading a life beyond labels.” – *The Washington Post*

“...they work as a continual advocate and organizer to raise funds for social justice campaigns, often centered on the livelihoods of trans folks of color...” – *Huffington Post*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (September 19, 2022) – The Kimmel Cultural Campus presents **ALOK** in their world tour, at the Campus’ Perelman Theater on Saturday, November 5, 2022, for performances at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. ALOK takes the stage to explore their work’s themes of trauma, belonging, and the human condition through their work on *Femme in Public* (2017), *Beyond the Gender Binary* (2020), and *Your Wound/My Garden* (2021).

ALOK (they/them) is an internationally acclaimed author, poet, comedian, public speaker, and artist who works with mixed media. They are also the creator of #DeGenderFashion, a movement to de-gender the beauty industry. ALOK has been honored as one of HuffPo’s Culture Shifters, NBC’s Pride 50, and Business Insider’s Doers. Over the past decade, they have toured in more than 40 countries, most recently headlining the Vancouver Just for Laughs Comedy Festival and selling out their runs at the Soho Theatre in London and the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

“Infinitely versatile, ALOK has quickly become an influential voice and advocate on social media as well as tv, print, and film,” said Frances Egler, Senior Director of Programming and

Presentations on the Kimmel Cultural Campus. "We're excited to bring their convention-defying, refreshingly bold talent to our Campus for the first time."

ALOK's new show has been described as "provocative and powerful" (*Chortle*), a "potent combination of comedy and poetry" (*The Scotsman*), and a "jaw-dropping celestial event" (To Do List London). On screen, they will make their feature film debut in Netflix's *Absolute Dominion*. On television, they have appeared on Netflix's *Getting Curious with Jonathan Van Ness*, HBO's *Random Acts of Flyness*, and *The Trans List*.

Other featured upcoming performances on the Kimmel Cultural Campus include **Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson: *An Astrophysicist Goes to the Movies – II*** (September 23, 2022, Verizon Hall); **Zakir Khan Live** (September 25, 2022, Perelman Theater); and **Daniel Howell: *We're All Doomed!*** (October 20, 2022, Miller Theater).

Tickets

Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999 or online at www.kimmelculturalcampus.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.kimmelculturalcampus.org for more information.

ALOK

Kimmel Cultural Campus' Perelman Theater
November 5, 2022, 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.

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KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1-million guests per year and includes Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), the Academy of Music, and the Miller Theater (formerly the Merriam Theater) – representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to The Philadelphia Orchestra and seven esteemed Resident Companies: Opera Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, The Philly POPS, PHILADANCO, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and Curtis Institute of Music. With nearly 9,000 seats per night, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. Read Kimmel Cultural Campus' vision statement, world view, and mission statement [here](#). Learn more about our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it encompasses our mission, coworkers, and programs [here](#).

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