LEONARD COHEN
NORTH AMERICAN DATES ANNOUNCED FOR
“OLD IDEAS WORLD TOUR 2012”

Tickets for Canadian Dates Go On Sale Starting May 11 and
U.S. Dates Go On Sale Starting May 18

May 3, 2012 – Legendary singer/songwriter/poet Leonard Cohen will be gracing stages throughout
the U.S. and Canada with a new live show, beginning October 31 in Austin, TX. The North
American leg of Cohen’s “Old Ideas World Tour 2012” follows on the heels of his previously
announced European concert dates. The tour, promoted by AEG Live and presented in Canada by
CBCMUSIC.CA, celebrates Cohen’s highly acclaimed twelfth studio album, Old Ideas. The album
debuted at #1 across the globe, making it the highest charting album of his career. Tickets for the
Canadian tour dates will go on sale starting Friday, May 11 and U.S. dates will go on sale starting

The “Old Ideas World Tour 2012” follows Cohen’s triumphant 2008-2010 world tour – his first in
15 years -- which was met with overwhelming praise. The New York Times reported that “Mr.
Cohen sang these words with a kind of gracious generosity…awash in wild applause,” while The San Jose Mercury News reported “The show underscored what his fans already know: Leonard
Cohen is one of the greatest singer-songwriters in the history of popular music.” The Victoria Times
Colonist reported that Cohen received “an automatic standing ovation at what was clearly the
Church of Leonard.” The Vancouver Sun called the show “nothing short of a religious experience”
and the Toronto Sun declared Leonard Cohen “Charming, funny, poignant, smart, sharp, sexy… he
is still a ladykiller.”

In his sixth decade of producing critically acclaimed music, Leonard Cohen is arguably one of the
greatest singer-songwriters of all time. Old Ideas, released on January 31, 2012 by Columbia
Records, has earned worldwide accolades for its highly acclaimed collection of new songs. USA
Today raves that "Old Ideas is the work of a master craftsman," while Rolling Stone gave the album
4 ½ stars. TIME Magazine states, “Listeners have been relying on Cohen's heartbroken yet grinning,
world-weary yet hopeful voice to get through that night for decades, and this album should continue
that for a whole new batch of souls." Newsday hails Old Ideas as "GRADE A... Stunningly simple,
incredibly deep and destined to be a classic." The Telegraph (UK) reports that “Old Ideas is an
unexpected and precious gift of new gems from an old master," and The Irish Times exclaimed that
“the more you play it the better it gets." The Times (South Africa) commended it as "an album of
poetic and pared-down musical genius,” and the Montreal Gazette simply states that “Lyricaly,
Cohen is at the top of his game.”

“OLD IDEAS NORTH AMERICAN TOUR ITINERARY:

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November 28  Montreal, QC  Bell Centre
December 2  Quebec City, QC  Colisee Pepsi
December 4  Toronto, ON  Air Canada Centre
December 7  Ottawa, ON  Scotiabank Place
December 11  London, ON  John Labatt Centre
December 13  Kingston, ON  K-Rock Centre
December 15  Boston, MA  The Wang Theatre
December 18  New York, NY  Madison Square Garden
December 20  Brooklyn, NY  Barclays Center

About Leonard Cohen:
Leonard Cohen is a master songwriter, musician and poet whose stunning body of original work has
touched the lives of millions. Citing W.B Yeats, Irving Layton and Walt Whitman as literary
influences, Cohen first shot to the forefront of the music industry in the 60's and has remained an
inspirational talent and contributor to the industry since he first emerged. His albums Songs of
Leonard Cohen (1967), I'm Your Man (1990) and Dear Heather (2004) are rightly considered
classics along with the beautiful singles "Hallelujah" and "Suzanne." He has sold over 20 million
albums, worldwide and published 12 books. With a career spanning five decades, Leonard Cohen
has been inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall Of Fame (2008), and the Songwriters Hall Of Fame
(2010), and is a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient (2010).

About AEG Live:
AEG Live, the live-entertainment division of Los Angeles-based AEG, is dedicated to all aspects of
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broadcast, merchandise and special event divisions, fifteen regional offices and owns, operates or
exclusively books thirty-five state-of-the-art venues. The current and recent concert tour roster
includes artists such as Taylor Swift, American Idol, Bon Jovi, Usher, Carrie Underwood,
Daughtry, Justin Bieber, Leonard Cohen, Wisin & Yandel, Kenny Chesney, P!nk, Enrique Iglesias
and Paul McCartney. The company is also currently producing residency shows at The Colosseum
at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas including Celine Dion, Rod Stewart and Shania Twain opening in
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