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### *Comedian Eddie Izzard to Bring “Believe Me” Tour to Frederick*

FREDERICK, Md., Thursday, December 14, 2017 — The Weinberg Center for the Arts will welcome comedian Eddie Izzard to the stage on Thursday, February 8 at 7:30pm in support of his New York Times bestselling autobiography, “Believe Me.” Over the course of his 30-year career, Izzard has proved himself to be a creative chameleon, inhabiting both the stage and screen with an unbelievable fervor. A self-proclaimed “action transvestite,” he broke a mold performing in makeup and heels, delighting audiences with his brand of keenly intelligent humor that ranges from world history to politics, mad ancient kings, and chickens with guns.

Tickets begin at \$40 and are currently on sale to Weinberg Center members. Tickets will become available to the general public on Thursday, December 21 at 10am. Tickets and memberships may be purchased online at [WeinbergCenter.org](http://WeinbergCenter.org), by calling the Box Office at 301.600.2828, or in person at 20 West Patrick St.

Born in Yemen and raised in Northern Ireland, Wales, and England, Eddie Izzard lost his mother at the age of six. In his teens, he dropped out of university and took to the streets of London as part of a comedy double act. When his partner went on vacation, Izzard kept busy by inventing a one-man escape act, and thus a solo career was ignited. As a stand-up comedian, Izzard has captivated audiences with his surreal, stream-of-consciousness comedy—lines such as “Cake or Death?” “Death Star Canteen,” and “Do You Have a Flag?” have the status of great rock lyrics. He has toured his *Force Majeure* show—so far in more than forty countries worldwide and in four languages. Izzard can currently be seen co-starring opposite Judi Dench in the critically-acclaimed film “Victoria and Abdul.” “Believe Me,” his first book, was released on June 2017, reflecting on a childhood marked by the loss of his mother, boarding school, and alternative sexuality, as well as a life in comedy, film, politics, running, and philanthropy.

A complete listing of artists and performers scheduled for the 2017-2018 season can be found at [WeinbergCenter.org](http://WeinbergCenter.org).

### **ABOUT THE WEINBERG CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

The Weinberg Center for the Arts is one of the region’s premier performing arts presenters, offering film, music, dance, theater, and family-focused programming. Located in the historic Tivoli movie theater in downtown Frederick, Md., the Weinberg Center strives to ensure that the arts remain accessible and affordable to local and regional audiences alike. Weinberg Center events are made possible with major support from the City of Frederick, the Maryland State Arts Council, Plamondon Hospitality Partners, and other corporate and individual donors.

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