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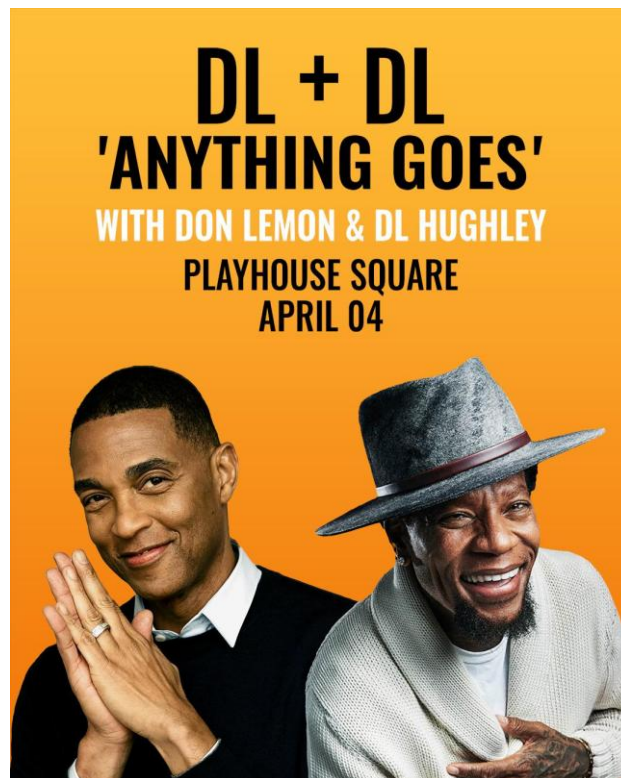
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**JOURNALIST DON LEMON AND COMEDIAN DL HUGHLEY ANNOUNCE
NEW *DL + DL 'ANYTHING GOES'* TOUR DATES
NEW SHOW COMING TO CLEVELAND'S
PLAYHOUSE SQUARE ON APRIL 4TH, 2026**

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW AT PLAYHOUSESQUARE.ORG



CLEVELAND, OH – Emmy award-winning journalist Don Lemon and renowned comedian and radio host DL Hughley announce their *DL + DL 'Anything Goes'* tour with four new shows across North America. They will be stopping in Cleveland, OH on Saturday, April 4th, 2026 at

Playhouse Square. Tickets are available for purchase online at playhousesquare.org or by phone at 216-241-6000.

Now leading his own independent media platform and the widely streamed *The Don Lemon Show*, Lemon draws on decades of journalism experience, including his years as a primetime anchor at CNN. He is best known for his fearless political analysis and unfiltered perspective. DL Hughley, a NYT bestseller and one of comedy's most influential voices, is a dominant force in stand-up while hosting his nationally syndicated radio show, *The DL Hughley Show*. Both actively shape conversations around race, politics, and social justice with quick wit and unmatched honesty.

Together, the duo delivers a comedy-meets-politics live experience in select markets where no topic is off limits. Expect the unexpected as these two brilliant minds take audiences on a journey through today's most pressing social issues, race relations, pop culture, and current events.

Their sharp commentary and politically savvy humor resonates equally with audiences culturally in tune and politically aware, from all walks of life.

DL + DL 'ANYTHING GOES' TOUR DATES:

April 3, 2026	Raleigh, NC	Meymandi Concert Hall
April 4, 2026	Cleveland, OH	Playhouse Square
April 17, 2026	Boston, MA	Boch Center Shubert Theatre
April 18, 2026	Tysons, VA	Capital One Hall

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ABOUT DON LEMON

Don Lemon is the host of *The Don Lemon Show*, streaming live daily on YouTube and everywhere podcasts are available. With three decades of award-winning journalism and storytelling behind him, Lemon has taken his signature style and outspoken truth-telling to a new platform, welcoming a variety of guests and newsmakers to his show, with topics spanning everything from social issues and race to pop-culture and current events. His shows also often feature his personal take on the stories and topics that are shaping lives and conversations.

Lemon has spent his entire career as a journalist and is the former anchor of the long-running CNN primetime program, *Don Lemon Tonight* as well as *CNN This Morning*. He has won a variety of distinguished awards for his work which has spanned nearly three decades, including an Edward R. Murrow award, multiple Emmys and a Peabody award, among others. In addition

to CNN, Lemon has served as an anchor and correspondent at the NBC and MSNBC television networks, as well as at local stations in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and St. Louis.

Lemon has covered countless global breaking news stories from the anchor desk, as well as on location, including the war in Ukraine (for which he received a Peabody award in 2022), the death of Osama Bin Laden, the inaugurations of the 44th and 45th Presidents of the United States, the school shootings in Uvalde, Texas and Newtown, Connecticut, and the deaths of Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Freddie Gray, George Floyd and Tyre Nichols. He joined CNN as a correspondent in 2006.

Lemon has been honored with countless awards not only for his journalism, but also for the impact his work and influence have made on society. He was voted one of the 150 most influential African Americans by Ebony magazine in 2009. In 2014, The Advocate included him as one of the publication's 50 Most Influential LGBTQ People in Media. In December 2016, Lemon was honored with a Native Son Award, named after James Baldwin, recognizing and to "encourage the increased visibility and impact of black gay men in society." In 2017, Out named him to its Power 50 list of the Most Influential LGBTQ People in the USA. And in June 2019, to mark the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall riots in Greenwich Village, New York, Queerty named him one of the Pride 50 "trailblazing individuals who actively ensure society remains moving towards equality, acceptance and dignity for all queer people."

Lemon is also a best-selling author. In 2011, he broke barriers by revealing that he was gay in his auto-biographical book Transparent. A decade later, in 2021, his book This is the Fire: What I Say to My Friends About Racism, debuted at number one on the New York Times bestseller list. It was inspired by what he saw, learned and felt about the murder of George Floyd at the hands of a Minneapolis police officer.

Lemon graduated from Brooklyn College with a BA in broadcast journalism. He lives in New York City with his husband and their three dogs.

ABOUT DL HUGHLEY

Known for being astute and politically savvy in his comedy, DL Hughley is one of the most popular and highly recognized stand-up comedians on the road today. DL has also made quite an impression on television, film, and radio, and is the author of five books including two New York Times bestsellers. He can currently be heard as host of his own afternoon radio show "The DL Hughley Show" which is nationally syndicated in over 60 cities across the country. Provocative and entertaining, the radio show dives headfirst into hot topics of the day and dishes on the latest news, entertainment, pop culture and what's trending in social media.

DL is recognized as one of the most prolific voices on the social media front, amassing over 3 million followers on both Instagram and Facebook. The Hollywood Reporter has consistently ranked Hughley in the "Top 5 Comedians" social media ranking. DL is also the host of his own podcast "Uncertain with DL Hughley."

As the star and producer of his namesake television show that ran on ABC and UPN “The Hughley’s,” DL is also well known as one of the standout comedians on the mega-hit comedy tour and docu-film “The Original Kings of Comedy.” A veteran of numerous talk show appearances, DL hosted his talk show on Comedy Central “Weekends at the DL”. He is a regular on the late-night talk show circuit, including always-memorable appearances on “Real Time with Bill Maher” and “The View.” He is frequently requested as a guest host for such shows as “Good Morning America” and “The Daily Show.”

DL also created and starred in the satirical documentary special for Comedy Central “DL Hughley: The Endangered List,” which premiered to rave reviews. The special was honored with the prestigious George Foster Peabody Award at the 72nd Annual Peabody Awards.

DL continues to dominate the stand-up stage, producing specials for Netflix, Showtime, and HBO. His 11th stand-up special “DL Hughley: Contrarian” is currently available on Netflix.

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