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**INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED PRODUCTION  
'DYLAN THOMAS: RETURN JOURNEY' CLOSSES IRISH TOUR IN CORK**

**Directed by ANTHONY HOPKINS Starring BOB KINGDOM**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2008 - Bob Kingdom** brings his tour-de-force performance of **DYLAN THOMAS: RETURN JOURNEY** to the Everyman Palace Theatre at the end of its Irish tour. Directed by **Anthony Hopkins**, this acclaimed production has been seen all over the world, and now comes to Cork for the first time, for 6 performances.

**DYLAN THOMAS: RETURN JOURNEY** is an interpretation of Thomas' renowned appearances in a range of libraries, public halls, clubs and colleges reading his work. Blending the stories and the poetry with incisive comments on the nature of performing, of audiences, and of the American touring circuit, Thomas (through Kingdom) takes his audience through Wales, past and present, through the natural world, to the one that lies after. **Anthony Hopkins'** direction brings the performer and audience together in the appreciation of the beauty, the humor and the wit of Dylan Thomas' words.

**DYLAN THOMAS: RETURN JOURNEY** played at the 1985 Edinburgh festival to instant acclaim and has since toured internationally, including sell out seasons in London and New York. Like Dylan Thomas, Bob Kingdom was born in Wales and like his countryman, Kingdom was captivated by language from a very early age. Playing a man who wrestled with the psychological conflict between creative genius and self-destructive impulse, Kingdom's remarkable portrait of Dylan Thomas has bewitched audiences throughout the world.

**Bob Kingdom** has written and performed other internationally acclaimed shows such as *Elsa Edgar* and Edinburgh Fringe First winner, *The Truman Capote Talk Show*.

**DYLAN THOMAS: RETURN JOURNEY** closes its Irish Tour at the Everyman Palace Theatre from **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February @ 8pm**. Tickets are priced at €25 / €20 / €7 Students Mon – Wed. Booking on [www.everymanpalace.com](http://www.everymanpalace.com) / 021 4501673

***A thrilling lyrical journey*** GUARDIAN

***Bob Kingdom is magnificent*** VARIETY

***Thomas' intense love affair with language transmitted with hypnotic beauty***  
NEW YORK TIMES

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