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Britney Spears set to cause a 'Circus' with raunchy show US pop star to bring "sex and fire" to Dubai



Britney Spears set to end European tour and bring it to Middle East (Courtesy BritneySpears.com)

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American superstar Britney Spears is set to bring her massive Circus show to the United Arab Emirates to bring to an end her comeback tour, which has been described "sex, fire and stomp-and-slither choreography," and bound to stir controversy in the Muslim state.

Local press reports said AEG, the organizers of the singer's tour, were planning to bring Spears to Dubai but not before her raunchy routines could be amended in line with cultural sensitivities and logistical problems were solved to accommodate her massive performance.

"Britney is confirmed 100 percent, it is just a matter of working out the finer details, getting all the promoters on board and happy," TimeOut Dubai magazine quoted an unnamed AEG official as saying.

The magazine, which also reported that Michael Jackson and diva Beyonce were headed to the emirate, said Spears was tipped to perform in November after finishing her European tour dates.

"We are looking at dates but as it is a very complex tour and it's a show that needs a central stage, there are a lot of logistical challenges. You wouldn't believe the amount of equipment involved. But I would like it to happen," AEG Middle East chief executive, Thomas Ovesen, told local daily 7Days.

Spears recently launched the European leg of her comeback tour and some critics have criticized her two-hour show as "dull" but the one thing most critics have agreed on is that the tour is full of "sex and fire," which Dubai officials are likely to ask she tones down.

Last month Hip Hop rapper Akon performed in Dubai and sparked outrage after he ripped off his shirt breaking the government rules against nudity, the paper reported.

The UAE has hosted an array of artists like Shakira, Justin Timberlake, Coldplay and Alicia Keys.

"The Circus concerts are very theatrical shows and any big show that comes through here would have to be acceptable to the market. As with any artist, she would be fully briefed about the guidelines," 7Days quoted an event organizer as saying.

"It's possible there might have to be some tweaks to the current show," he added.