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**LIAM GALLAGHER – "THE LAST ROCK’N’ROLL STAR"
AT POHODA 2019**

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Pohoda 2019 will feature one of the most famous voices in history – Liam Gallager is coming to Trenčín. Thousands of readers of Q magazine and listeners of Radio X called him the biggest frontman of all times. After a several years long break, the founder and singer of the legendary Oasis and Beady Eye came back with a fantastic solo album ***As You Were*** last year. It immediately became the number one of the British chart, selling more copies in the first week than all the other albums in the TOP twenty of the aforementioned chart altogether. Shortly after his comeback, Liam received Best Live Act and Icon Award at Q Awards, Godlike Genius for his music industry services at NME Awards, and nominations for the Brit Awards and NME Awards for the Best Singer and Live Artist. As the headliner of the TRNSMT, Benicassim and Isle of Wight festival last summer, he swept the attenders up with his mixture of new and old hits, and we are very pleased that he will fantastically end Pohoda 2019 this summer.

Liam Gallagher is the youngest of the three sons of Irish immigrants from a Manchester suburb, but unlike older Noel, he wasn’t very interested in music in his childhood. Everything apparently changed after he received a blow to the head from a classmate. He was obsessed with becoming a member of a band ever since. Inspired by The Beatles (especially by Lennon), The Who, The Kinks, The Jam, or Madonna, he founded his first band, The Rain, with his classmate. After Noel joined them, they were renamed to **Oasis**. Together, they released eight n°1 albums, the most successful being the first three ones – ***Definitely Maybe****,* ***What's the Story Morning Glory?*** (the best album of the last 30 years, according to BBC listeners) or ***Be Here Now***. They defined the second half of the nineties, with Oasis becoming the leading band of the then dominant Britpop. Their success was compared to that of The Beatles, Pink Floyd and The Rolling Stones. They won seventeen NME Awards, nine Q Awards, six Brit Awards, and four MTV Europe Music Awards. They have also a few entries in the Guinness Book of Wolrd Records: for example, 22 continuous weeks in the TOP 10 of the UK chart, or the fact that their albums and songs lasted 765 weeks at the top of the UK chart. Despite the extraordinary success, the band did not withstand disputes between the brothers, which led to Noel’s departure at the end of August 2009. Liam and the other Oasis members continued their band under a new name, **Beady Eye**, and Noel eventually founded his own band, **Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds**.

Liam's Beady Eye, however, broke up after two albums ***Different Gear, Still Speeding*** and ***BE***. Subsequently, Liam had a several years long break, which was interrupted by new musical ideas and a desire to do what he does best – to stand before the microphone and entrance thousands of people in front of the stage. He got signed by Warner Bros, who suggested that he tries to make a few songs with the producer Greg Kurstin (Paul McCartney, Foo Fighters, Adele, Beck, The Shins, Sia). The result was his first solo album, ***As You Were***, which immediately became British number one and the fastest selling album in the last 20 years, regarding one week’s LP sales. In addition to Kurst, Andrew Wyatt (Lorde, Bruno Mars, Lyyke Li, Florence + The Machine, Miike Snow) and Dan Grech-Marguerat (Keane, Hurts, Lana Del Rey, Moby) also took part in the album making. According to magazine Q, ***As You Were*** stands as the proof that the rock’s most charismatic general is back on active service, and AllMusic adds that it’s the best record that both Gallaghers released since Oasis’ breakup. ***As You Were*** was also one of the reasons why Greg Kurstin received Grammy as the producer of the year. In May 2018, Liam announced that him, Kurtin and Wyatt are already working on the second solo album.

Liam Gallagher has never claimed to be a natural songwriter. Even in Oasis, his older brother Noel was the author of most of the big hits. As Liam once wrote on his Twitter: "He wrote them, I turned them into hits." With this remark he alluded to his ability to sell everything on stage with his unmistakable voice and a charisma from the position of one of the greatest frontmen of all time. This is confirmed by The Guardian, which gave him five stars out of five in a review of the last year's Leeds concert, calling him the last great rock’n’roll star \*. Andreas Imrich, the head of the artist production, came with the same rating after Liam's concert in Berlin last year. Liam Gallagher will personally come to confirm words of the last great rock’n’roll star to Trenčín in half a year.

**VIDEO:**

* **For What It's Worth** [**https://youtu.be/SDrPghDvYA4**](https://youtu.be/SDrPghDvYA4)
* **Wall Of Glass** [**https://youtu.be/YdJc7-ZEuT0**](https://youtu.be/YdJc7-ZEuT0)
* **Live Forever** [**https://youtu.be/dGpx-ip-kcs**](https://youtu.be/dGpx-ip-kcs)
* **Morning Glory' live | VO5 NME Awards 2018** [**https://youtu.be/7anHOgfkVKc**](https://youtu.be/7anHOgfkVKc)