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**INDIE TROUBADOUR JOHN CRAIGIE KICKS OFF  
#KEEPLITWARM2021 TOUR WITH NEW PANDEMIC TRACK  
“LAURIE ROLLED ME A J” LISTEN [HERE](#)**

**TOUR SUPPORTING 2020 ACCLAIMED ALBUM  
ASTERISK THE UNIVERSE**

*“the lovechild of John Prine and Mitch Hedberg with a vagabond troubadour edge.” - The Stranger*

Nashville, TN – Acclaimed indie-folk singer/songwriter John Craigie is gearing up for his third KeptItWarm Tour, one of the biggest tours of his career, November 10th & 11th with back-to-back shows in Arcata, CA. In the tradition of past KeptItWarm tours, Craigie has partnered with nonprofits to help the communities he plays for, with \$1 from each ticket sold going to a regional charity. Organizations include [Western Center on Law & Poverty](#) (November California Shows) [Northwest Harvest](#) (December Pacific Northwest Shows) and [Hunger Free Colorado](#) (December Colorado Shows). For a full list of tour dates see below and on John Craigie’s website [HERE](#).

Craigie recorded the new track “Laurie Rolled Me a J” while stuck at home during the height of the pandemic. Craigie says, “This song was written in the midst of lockdown. Themes range from stimulus checks, isolation, dating during a pandemic, BLM protests, Wim Hof and the apocalypse. Recorded in Portland, OR with an all-star lineup. Members of TK and the Holy Know Nothings: Taylor Kingman, Lewi Longmire and Sydney Nash. Ned Folkerth on drums as well. Recorded in a live take at Hallowed Halls studio. Already a fan favorite since it’s live debut earlier this year.” Laurie is Laurie Shook of the Shook Twins, longtime Craigie collaborators. The lyrics perfectly capture the anger and despondency that many of us have been experiencing. Read them [HERE](#) and listen to “Laurie Rolled Me a J” [HERE](#).

Craigie is finally able to get back on the road where he shines brightest, displaying his articulate songwriting, telling his candid stories and humorous anecdotes and leaving everything on the stage. After releasing his acclaimed 2020 album *Asterisk the Universe*, Craigie was unable to share his signature blend of songcraft and wry wit with live audiences.

More than just a show, a John Craigie performance is a collective event, as audiences personally connect and relate to Craigie’s narratives and characters. This was captured on Craigie’s last live album *Opening For Steinbeck* which earned raves from fellow

musicians and fans alike. Check out “Don’t Ask” live from Portland, OR right before the pandemic [HERE](#).

Craigie earned raves for *Asterisk the Universe*. Accolades include:

“Top 10 Album of 2020” – **Ann Powers, NPR Music**

“It’s hard to immerse yourself in a Craigie album, from the new LP to his cult-classic 2016 concert document, *Capricorn in Retrograde ... Just Kidding ... Live in Portland, and not emerge elated.*” – **Rolling Stone Country**

“...a soft, dreamy place to come to.... for many weary and heavy-hearted listeners, the album might be exactly what they need.” – **No Depression**

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#### **JOHN CRAIGIE 2021KEEPITWARM TOUR DATES**

- 11/10 – **Arcata, CA** – Arcata Theatre Lounge\*
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- 11/12 – **Chico, CA** – The El Rey Theater\*
- 11/13 – **San Francisco, CA** – The Fillmore\*
- 11/17 – **Solana Beach, CA** – The Belly Up\*
- 11/18 – **West Hollywood, CA** – Troubadour\*
- 11/19 – **Santa Barbara, CA** – Lobero Theatre\*
- 11/20 – **Arroyo Grande, CA** – Clark Center for the Performing Arts\*
- 12/1 – **Vancouver, BC** – Imperial^ [Low Ticket Warning]
- 12/2 – **Bellingham, WA** – Wild Buffalo^
- 12/3 – **Seattle, WA** – Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall - Benaroya Hall
- 12/4 – **Portland, OR** – Aladdin Theater° [Low Ticket Warning]
- 12/5 – **Portland, OR** – Aladdin Theater^
- 12/10 – **Bend, OR** – Tower Theatre^
- 12/11 – **Eugene, OR** – Hult Center for the Performing Arts^
- 12/17 – **Fort Collins, CO** – Washingtons‡
- 12/18 – **Denver, CO** – Bluebird Theater‡

- \* w/ Chris Pureka
- ^ w/ Kassi Valazza
- ° w/ Taylor Kingman
- ‡ w/ Hunter Burnette