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OBERON Announces June / July 2018 Programming

Cambridge, MA—OBERON, the American Repertory Theater's (A.R.T.) second stage and club-theater venue on the fringe of Harvard Square, announces events to be presented at OBERON during June and July 2018.

STRIPSONIAN: BURLESQUE AT THE MUSEUM

Thursday, June 7 at 8PM

Tickets \$15-25

The museum comes alive at night, and all those nudes are just as naughty as you think! **Rogue Burlesque** transforms OBERON into the *Stripsonian* for an evening of burlesque at the museum! A duo of docents leads a "guided tour" of the wings – natural history, fine art, history, modern art. Every exhibit is full of exhibitionists, ready to show you a thing or two you weren't expecting. Explore scandalous sagas from history, lose yourself in the magnificent beauty of impressionist paintings, and gain a truly deep appreciation for natural selection.

Your curated cast includes: **Alice Azul, Brandy Wine, Cheeky DeVine, Clara Blows, Dahlia Strack, Dewie Decimator, Morning Glory, and Tuesday Addams**

EN-ER-GY 9

Friday, June 8 at 9PM; 11:30PM post-show dance party

Tickets \$15 - 25

EN-ER-GY 9 is an exploration of Boston talent. It is an evening in which the Audience and the Artists will give each other as much love, life, experience, and Energy as they possibly can. An eclectic cast of artists and a diverse audience will assemble under one roof to celebrate the excitement of art. It is more than a talent show; it is a contribution to Boston's music, poetry, dance, and art scenes. It is a collection of artists who own the ability to

entertain, showcase, engage and inspire. It is one of the best shows you will ever have the pleasure of participating in!

This year's Energizers include **Billy Dean Thomas, Cliff Notez, Mass LEAP LTAB Youth Poetry Slam All Stars, Mass Apparel, Steve Chandy, Afrobeats Dance Boston, Marshall "Gripp" Gilson, Peston, Liquid Revolution, The Dollz, and Mayah Dyson & Exclusive.**

THE SEXTACULAR SHOW

Sunday, June 10 at 8PM

Tickets \$10 - 25

Showcasing bawdy storytellers, burlesque beauties, side-splitting comedy, and newly discovered acts, ***The Sextacular Show*** is a celebration of all things sensual—and doesn't stop there! ***The Sextacular Show*** is turn-on entertainment coupled with audience engagement to raise sexual consciousness and positive awareness in the community!

GUERRILLA OPERA PRESENTS EMERGENCE I

Wednesday, June 13 at 8PM

Tickets \$20

Whet your appetite for future **Guerilla Opera** productions and recordings in this presentation featuring a first-listen to *A Dead Body* by **Mischa Salkind-Pearl**, based on the play by Anton Chekhov, as well as beloved revivals of **Marti Epstein's** magical *Rumplestiltskin* and **Per Bloland's** dark and brilliant *Pedr Solis*.

EZEKIEL'S WHEELS & NIGHT TREE

Thursday, June 14 at 8PM

Tickets \$20

Ezekiel's Wheels and **Night Tree**, two of Boston's most virtuosic and progressive folk ensembles, join forces for one epic night of music. Spanning the roots and branches of both Klezmer and Celtic music, **Ezekiel's Wheels** and **Night Tree** share their innovative arrangements from traditional folk through their original songs and compositions.

GET YOU A GIRL WHO CAN DO BOTH

Friday, June 15 at 8PM

Tickets \$20 – 30

Showcasing the dynamic nature of burlesque performers by combining TEDx style presentations and live burlesque—by the same people—**#DoBothBOS** sets out to prove that you can be both a sexual object and a competent adult. After repeated, monumental success in Philadelphia, burlesque powerhouse **Honeytree Evileye** is teaming up with local producer **Elsa Riot** to present an educational, raucous night celebrating women who **#DoBoth**.

POTTER PROM: A HARRY POTTER BURLESQUE

Sunday, June 17 and Thursday, June 21 at 8PM

Tickets \$20 – 30

We are pleased to inform you that you have been invited by Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry to attend the return of **Potter Prom!** Bust out your best dress robes, flaunt your house pride, and join us for a night of circus, nerdlesque, and fan service! Feel free to dress to impress and Slither in to our costume contest! The best dressed of the evening will be crowned King, Queen, or Queer of Wizard Prom, and win some incredible prizes! Are you more of a studious wizard? Then test your knowledge in our Harry Potter Trivia Contest! Come prepared... Our Defense Against the Dark Arts Pop Quiz is no joke!

THE MOTH

Usual Suspect

Tuesday, June 19 at 8PM (tickets available June 12 at 3PM)

Tuesday, July 24 at 8PM (tickets available July 17 at 3PM)

Tickets \$10

The Moth StorySLAMs are steadily spreading all over the map, gathering people and stories from all over the country. New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Boston have multiple shows each month. **The Moth** is open to anyone with a five-minute story to share on the night's posted theme. The brave of heart, or those with stories they're aching to tell, prepare personal, true tales. When the doors open, storyteller hopefuls put their names in The Moth Hat. A half-hour later, names are picked, and one by one, storytellers take the stage. Each person has just five minutes! The ten featured stories are scored by teams of judges selected from the audience. Each StorySLAM generates a StorySLAM winner. After ten SLAMs, the winners face off in our GrandSLAM Championships. Come sign up to tell a story, or just enjoy the show!

June's theme is **Imposter**: Prepare a five-minute story about the masks we wear. Disguising the true person with a fake mustache or phony Ph.D. Fabricated credentials or a cloak and girdle! The banjo-strumming, sensitive-guy persona you put on to get with the ladies. Undercover cops and chameleons. Pranks and parent-traps. Wolves gussied up like lambs and lambs dressed up to pass as mutton. The Trojan Horse, The Mighty Oz and now you!

July Theme TBA

SALT: RUBY ROSE FOX ALBUM RELEASE

Friday, June 22 at 8PM

Tickets \$19 – \$100

Boston based artist **Ruby Rose Fox** is a cultural messenger of our turbulent modern times. Her music is as sonically compelling as it is subversive, packed with lyrics that reflect and challenge our current political state, from #metoo, to the mass-shooting crisis. Part actress, director, and writer, Fox has never shied away from inventive ways to approach her art.

Fox's sophomore album **Salt** is an utterly cinematic piece of experimental pop that features dense soundscapes built to accompany Fox's wall-shattering vocals. The sonically-rich record is enhanced via ASMR microphones that were used during the recording, resulting in an ASMR-sensitive body of emotional, political, and personal songs—which when listened to with headphones—produces a next-level experience for the listener. **Salt** is the follow-up to **Ruby Rose Fox's** debut album *Domestic* which reached number 8 on the *Billboard* Heatseekers chart. Featured guests include **Josh Knowles** and **The Gifted Program**. Front row VIP tickets include a CD/Vinyl package. rubyrosefox.com.

MORTIFIED

Usual Suspect

Saturday, June 23 at 7PM

Tickets \$15

Hailed as a “cultural phenomenon” by *Newsweek* and celebrated for years by the likes of *This American Life*, *The Today Show*, *The AV Club*, and *Entertainment Weekly*, **Mortified** is a comic excavation of teen angst artifacts (journals, poems, letters, lyrics, home movies, schoolwork) as shared by their original authors—In front of total strangers. Let's get emotionally and literally naked together!

LIPSTICK CRIMINALS PRESENTS FIFTY SHADES OF BEY

Thursday, June 28 and Friday, June 29 at 8PM

Saturday, June 30 at 7PM

Tickets from \$22

Returning for a fourth year, the Lipstick Criminals and director **Vanessa White (Sugar Dish)**, creator of *The Slutcracker*, ***Fifty Shades of Bey*** promises a night of fresh, original choreography performed to a bangin' selection of the Queen Bey's catalog.

WITNESS THE WASTELAND: 3 DON'T NEED ANOTHER HERO

Friday, July 6 at 8PM

Tickets from \$15

A tribute to the world of Mad Max—journey into the charred future with high-octane burlesque, circus, belly-dancing and more.

CAMP CRYSTAL LAKE

Friday, July 13 at 10:30PM

Tickets from \$15

A Slasher-Themed Friday the 13th Party With Performances. Friday the 13th...Christmas in July? Nah, Halloween in July! Featuring spine-tingling performances by some of New England's spoOoOookiest queens to torment our campers, **Joey Pelletier** and **Heart & Dagger Productions**. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

THE STORY COLLIDER

Usual Suspect

Thursday, July 19 at 8PM

Tickets \$10 - \$12

Join ***The Story Collider*** for an evening of true, personal stories about science in partnership with the Cambridge Science Festival. From finding awe in Hubble images to visiting the doctor, science is everywhere in our lives. Whether we wear a white lab coat or haven't seen a test tube since eighth grade, science affects and changes us. We all have a story about science and at ***The Story Collider*** we want to hear those stories.

RESIST(D)ANCE: UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Friday, July 20 at 7PM

Tickets from \$20

RESIST(D)ANCE: UNDER CONSTRUCTION is calling all creative leaders, change makers, and body shakers to reclaim space and re-imagine a future where young people have an active role in shaping their cities. A three-part immersive art experience including an open creative forum for local artists and community leaders to engage in conversation and art making; a live performance featuring poetry, dance, and music; and a dance party, highlighting the importance of social dance in black communities. Artists of all mediums are encouraged to come to the open forum with their full creativity ready to write, paint and move—there will be plenty of opportunity to create and share original art and collaborate with other amazing artists and influencers.

All-access tickets available for the full event beginning at 7PM and for the Performance & Party beginning at 9PM.

This event is presented by **Radical Black Girl**, an art-activist whose goal is the radical awakening of the authentic self to become audacious, unapologetic and empowered. She hopes to inspire transformation of self and communities in order to change our realities through art.

PSYCH

Sunday, July 29 at 7:30PM

Tickets from \$20

For too long we have listened to professionals speak on behalf of the diagnosed. For one night only, watch in wonder as performers who live day in and day out carrying the stigma of mental illness show you what it's like. This will be a glimpse into their minds through their bodies.

THE DONKEY SHOW

The Long-Running Hit

Presented by **A.R.T.**

Every Saturday night

Tickets from \$25

Tony Award-winner **Diane Paulus'** celebrated smash hit continues its ninth season at OBERON every Saturday night, bringing you the ultimate disco experience—a crazy circus of mirror balls and feathered divas, of roller skaters and hustle queens inspired by

Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The party rages on the dance floor to all the best '70s hits as the show unfolds around the audience. After the show, the party continues into the night so you can live out your own disco fever fantasy!

OBERON is located at 2 Arrow Street at the corner of Mass Ave. in Harvard Square, Cambridge. For more info and tickets visit cluboberon.com.

OBERON is the American Repertory Theater's club space for cutting-edge performance, a thriving incubator for local and emerging artists pushing the theatrical form and host to some of A.R.T.'s most boundary-breaking productions. It has attracted national attention for its innovative programming and business models. Thousands of artists and performance groups bring work to the space each year. OBERON regularly features a wide variety of local performers including aerialists, beat poets, musicians, tap dancers, gender-bending sketch troupes, comedians, burlesque performers, and aerialists.

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