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OBERON ANNOUNCES JUNE AND JULY EVENTS

Cambridge, Mass.— **OBERON**, the American Repertory Theater (A.R.T.)'s second stage and club theater venue, announces its June and July line up of exciting and original programming on the fringe of Harvard Square.

The coming months include limited engagements, the return of OBERON favorites such as **The Big Quiz Thing**, **Videodrome Discothèque**, and **The Donkey Show**; as well as OBERON Artists in Residence The Boston Circus Guild's **Speakeasy Circus** and Touch Performance Art's **Sexyback**: or what you will.

The complete lineup is as follows:

MASCULINITEASE

Presented by Sirlesque Sunday, June 1 and Thursday, June 5 at 8:00PM Tickets: \$15-\$25

Come join Sirlesque, Boston's only all-male burlesque troupe, for **MASCULINITEASE**! A two-night celebration of Men, Machismo, and Masculinity! The boys who have taken Boston by storm will shake up OBERON's famous stage with their unique blend of comedy and sex appeal, guaranteed to make you blush while you laugh. Featuring guest appearances by Rogue Burlesque, The Slaughterhouse Sweethearts, LoCkEd & LoAdEd, Femme Brulée and Claude Kitten! Join us for a night you won't soon forget!

THE BIG QUIZ THING

Presented by OBERON and The Big Quiz Thing Monday, June 2 and July 7 at 8:00PM FREE ADMISSION!

Step up, geeks: **The Big Quiz Thing**, the major-league game show that you get to play, is live at OBERON every month! Quizmaster Noah Tarnow presents five big rounds of the world's greatest multimedia quiz excitement, including video puzzles, audio clues, the Lightning Round, the buzzer-tastic Three-Way Finale, and the best, smartest quiz questions anywhere! Plus, there's hope for dummies: Smart-Ass Points for wrong but funny answers. Best of all, the \$200 cash grand prize, along with show tickets books, DVDs, CDs, baked goods, and more excellent goodies.

YOU'RE THE EXPERT

Presented by Chris Duffy Tuesday, June 3 and July 1 at 7:00PM

Tickets: \$15

You're the Expert bridges the worlds of comedy and academia, attracting a comedy audience while providing them with meaningful content. Each show features an expert in a somewhat obscure field. A group of hilarious comedians try to guess what in the world our expert studies all day long. Afterwards, the expert dissects how wildly wrong (or right) the ideas about her field were. The show ends with an interview where we find out what our expert does and why their field is important. It's funny, it's interactive, and you end up actually learning something.

MURIEL ROBIN

Presented by CrashARTS Wednesday, June 4 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$25-\$50

French Comedian and actress Muriel Robin, comes to Boston for the first time with her all French, one woman show, *Muriel Robin Returns...Tsoin Tsoin*. After leaving the stage eight years ago, Robin is back—a new woman, with a new life story, yet still funny and a huge hit in France.

MORTIFIED

Presented by Mortified Media Friday, June 6 and June 13 at 7:30PM Tickets \$15

Hailed as a "cultural phenomenon" by Newsweek and celebrated for years by the likes of *This American Life, The Today Show, The Onion AV Club, & 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.

A DIAMOND FAR BEYOND MEASURE

Presented by The Meltdown Incentive Wednesday, June 11 at 8:00PM Tickets \$15

Bridging the gaps between classical music and jazz, concert music and theater, The Meltdown Incentive explores the complex relationships between text, sound, visual art, film, and music in entertaining and thought provoking new ways. Their highly original blend of musical sensitivity, personality, and sense of humor makes their performances fresh, exciting experiences for both adults and children.

EN-ER-GY 5

Presented by Jha D Friday, June 13 at 9:00PM

Tickets: \$20-\$25

EN-ER-GY is an exploration of Boston's talented and artistic communities. It is an opportunity to bring a diverse cast of performers and witnesses under one roof to celebrate the excitement of art. The show is produced by local spoken word artist, Jhanéa "Jha D" Williams, and is joined by Flatline Poetry, Bakari JB, Cagen Luse, Ethan Hamby, ContemporarilyOutOfOrder, McKersin, Jamila Afrika, The Preachers, Kendall Ramseur and Deviant Rebel Clothing. After the show there will be an AFTER-PARTY in celebration of Boston Pride 2014!

CLASS ACT

Presented by Ryan P. Casey Sunday, June 15 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$16-\$20

Femme fatales; hidden speakeasies; Fred Astaire: Step back into a bygone era with inventive, high-energy tap choreography by nationally recognized hoofers Ryan P. Casey and Kelly Kaleta, featuring a unique blend of rhythm, humor, storytelling, poetry, cinematography, and more. With a soundtrack featuring legendary musicians such as Count Basie, Benny Goodman, and Glenn Miller, this original show pays homage to crime noir, *The Great Gatsby*, classic movie musicals, and Vaudeville shows. From tap dancing detectives to hoofing basketball players, rhythm-making mobsters and high-kicking flappers, this ode to the 1920s and '30s is sure to have audiences jazzed up and tapping their feet!

THE MOTH

Presented by The Moth StorySlam Tuesday, June 17 and July 15 at 8:00PM Tickets from \$8-\$16

The Moth's StorySLAMs are steadily spreading all over the map, gathering people and stories from all over the country. New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Detroit/Ann Arbor have multiple shows each month. Louisville and Pittsburgh, added last year, are thriving. And this fall we're thrilled to add Boston, Milwaukee, Portland and Seattle! The shows are 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!

BROTHERS MCCANN- "DAYS OF EASE" ALBUM RELEASE

Presented by Brothers McCann Wednesday, June 18 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$15-\$20

A celebration of the latest album release by Boston-based band Brothers McCann.

DISCO PIGS

Presented by Colleen Hughes Thursday, June 19th at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$15-\$25

A raucous ride through Cork, Ireland, **Disco Pigs** follows two best friends as they try to hold on to a childhood that they may already have lost. **Disco Pigs** follows Pig and Runt, best friends living in Cork, Ireland, as they navigate their coming of age. Inseparable since birth, they have always faced the world together, but as their 17th birthday celebration goes on, their friendship will be put to the test. Will Pig and Runt be able to hold on to their kingdom of Pork City, or will the booze, lust, and violence break their extraordinary bond?

REVENGE OF THE ROBOT BATTLE NUNS

Presented by The Slaughterhouse Sweethearts Friday, June 20 and Sunday, June 29 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$15-\$20

It's the end of the world, Slaughterhouse Sweetheart style. Who amongst you has a taste for the bizarre? For those with a strong stomach, a twisted mind, and a perverse groin, **Revenge of The**

Robot Battle Nuns is an epic, b-horror, sci-fi, apocalyptic adventure from the brain of a burlesque dancer.

VIDEODROME DISCOTHEQUE

Presented by Videodrome Discotheque Friday, June 20 and July 18 at 10:00PM

Tickets: \$10

Voted Boston's Best Dance Night In 2012's Boston Phoenix Readers Poll, *Videodrome Discotheque* serves up a non-stop mixture of outrageous sound & vision, with a particular emphasis on the Disco, New Wave, Rock, Hi-NRG, & Pop of the late 70s and Early 80s - along with select modern artists (such as Gaga, Kylie, and Scissor Sisters) that fit their vintage aesthetic.

THE IT FACTOR MUSIC SHOWCASE

Presented by Evalast Productions Wednesday, June 25 and Thursday, July 31 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$15

Benson Dageneral and Evalast Productions **Present The "IT" Factor Music Showcase Competition**. BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND- unsigned singers, dancers, rappers and producers have a shot at winning \$1,000 in cash!

SPEAKEASY CIRCUS

Presented by Boston Circus Guild and OBERON Friday, June 27 and Friday, July 25 at 7:00PM & 10:00PM

Tickets: \$25-\$45

Get dolled up in your finest threads and put on your dancing shoes! Join us as we transform A.R.T.'s OBERON into the Oberon Social Club, a hot new speakeasy guaranteed to liven up the scene. The cool cats and dapper dames from the Boston Circus Guild will amaze you with phenomenal acts, including acrobatic feats of strength, astounding juggling, high-energy hooping, titillating burlesque, and glamorous aerial performances, all set to the sounds of the hippest electro-swing and jazz in Boston. The Boston Circus Guild is an OBERON artist in residence

ALL THE KINGS MEN

Presented by ATKM Productions Sunday, July 6 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$20-\$30

Thrilling audiences to their feet from Los Angeles to London for the past eleven years, **ATKM** return home to OBERON to entertain your faces off! "One of Boston's most entertaining acts" (Bay Windows), **ATKM** use pop-cultural satire, gender-bending comedic sketches, burlesque, dance and a host of alter egos to address and upend gender expectations in performances that range from the hilarious to the heartbreaking. Winners of a 2012 GO NYC Nightlife award and named one of ten nationwide winners of *Curve Magazine*'s "Best Lesbian Theatre" Award, this unique troupe plays between 35-50 characters per performance in a show that truly defines definition.

CUNNING FOLK CABARET-AMY KUCHARIK CD RELEASE SPECTACULAR

Presented by Amy Kucharik Friday, July 11 at 9:00PM

Tickets: \$20-\$35

A cabaret surrounding the release of Boston based artist Amy Kuckarik's new CD, featuring music, dance, poetry and aerial acts that will traverse the border of the magical realm.

SEXYBACK- OR WHAT YOU WILL

Presented by toUch Performance Art and OBERON July 16, 17, and 18 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$10

From toUch Performance Art comes their newest work, **Sexyback: or what you will**-a new immersive club-theater experience of boy band hits and killer dance moves- inspired by Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*. **Sexyback** captures the feeling of that NSYNC concert you went crazy for with a traditional male ensemble that ignites the boy band fever we had-plus all the hilarious gender-bending glory of Shakespeare. Party, drink at the bar, and dance to all the hits as the show fulfills all your reunion fantasies. *toUch Performance Art is an OBERON Artist in Residence*.

THE STORY COLLIDER

Presented by The Story Collider Wednesday, July 23 at 8:00PM

Tickets: \$10-\$12

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.

THE DONKEY SHOW

Presented by A.R.T. Every Saturday Night at 7:30PM and 10:30PM

Tickets: from \$25

Tony Award-winner Diane Paulus's celebrated smash hit continues its 5th 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 A *Midsummer Night's Dream*. Come party on the dance floor to all the 70s disco hits you know by heart as the show unfolds around you. After the show, the party continues into the night so you can live out your own fantasy of disco fever!

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

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