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OUR STAGE

OTHER WEDNES

C.A.F.E. presents Spring Returns



Directed by Matthew Quinn.

Music by Christopher Merrifield. Lights by Jared Hirsch. Featuring: Robert Bustamante, Shaun Church, Erica Davie, Tamela Fish, Lisa Kang, Sarah McKereghan, Heather O'Brien and Dan Wilson.

Combined Art Form Entertainment (C.A.F.E.) presents Spring Returns, a collection of myths, folktales and short stories performed word for word. Each story echoes the Spring Equinox' theme of returning. The show ends with improv stories with live musical accompaniment based on audience suggestions.

All shows 8 pm. \$10. Info/res 415-673-0304 See www.cafearts.com for details





American Gallery Written and Directed by

Richard Ciccarone. Featuring Liam Vincent, Lena Mullins, John Flannagan and Kalli Jonson.

Through a series of comic scenes and monologues, some of our cultural icons and awkward situations are put on display for scrutiny. View a temporary office worker who, realizing her place in the modern workforce, does all in her power to excel, but excellence comes with a price. Witness a personal growth expert with a penchant for cures that touch on our darker natures. Your tour guide of this exhibition of portraits from contemporary life is Sister Wendy Becket. Join this eccentric docent as she unveils these characters moving from the two- to threedimensional. No special glasses required. Please, no flash photography. All shows 8 pm. Sliding scale \$6-10. Info/res 415-289-2000

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SUNDAY



Performance

Hot new works by emerging theater and performance artists. The latest Fieldwork session culminates in a diverse evening of cutting edge works in progress from some of the Bay Area's most exciting artists. Check out fresh

pieces which have been developed through rigorous tenweek performing arts workshop led by the Field. Show 8pm. \$6-10 sliding scale. Info/res 415-289-2000

Venue 9 schedule is on the web at www.ftloose.org To discontinue receiving a printed schedule, please email Footloose at ftloose@best.com or call (415) 626-2169

Creative Music



APRIL

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SHOWS

John Schott (guitar), Ben Goldberg (clarinet) and Trevor Dunn (bass). A spare, haunting and intensely beautiful trio performing compositions from their release, Junk Genius.

MUSIC

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Meet the Beat

Performance, poetry and music collaborations are brought together in this monthly series. Host, Carolyn King guides you through the evening's boundary-breaking performances by up-and-coming multi-mediasts. With Karen Penuelos and musical guest Micah Ball (of Amy X. Neuberg & Men on Chapman Stick). PLUS: S.K. Thoth, violinist, vocalist, dancer, storyteller, performing excerpts from his solo, mystical opera, The Herma.

PLUS: Arundo with G.P. Skratz (spoken word/poetry) and live music by Andy Dinsmoor (guitar, sitar, tabla). PLUS Marvin White, Poetry and Spoken Word with live music accompaniment.

PLUS: Rene Van with musical guests Karen Hellyer (percussion), Sara Brittenhouse (guitar), and Nicole Bovee (bass).

O Cabaret

APRIL

Joan Jett Blakk, drag queen extraordinaire, hosts a live talk show with Sister Roma of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. The guests they interview will

disarm and delight your sensibilities. "Imagine the overwhelming victory if Oprah ran for public office"...KATHARINE MIESZKOWSKI, SF BAY GUARDIAN.

Creative Music

The Idris Ackamoor Ensemble performs music from their acclaimed CD, Portrait, compositions from the Penumbra Theatre production, Indigo Blue, and pieces from their upcoming, second CD release. Idris Ackamoor (alto-saxophone, composer, tap dancer, actor) is joined by Daria Niles (vocals), Art Hirahara (piano) and Mark Williams (bass).





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Creative Music

Y2K: A Concerto for Clarinet and the Uninformed

What happens when the Bay Area's best, young improvisers are presented with conflicting, vague, confusing and incomplete instructions?

Composed and conducted by Matt Ingalls (clarinet).

Meet the Beat 10 Poets Plus a Mic!

Experience the spirit of spoken word theater as a highly gifted ensemble of East Bay expressionists get open through dance, song, live jazz, and the word. Featuring Toussaint Haki, Joshua Bee Graham, Carlos Wilborn and many others.

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OTHER FEATURES

Q Cabaret

Joan Jett Blakk is back! Did we mention that Blakk ran for President of the United States in 1992 and 1996? Join this drag queen extraordinaire with her co-host **Sister Roma of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence** as they interview guests from beyond your imagination in a style Oprah would envy.



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Creative Music Soaked. Composed,

sung and spoken by **Amy Tobin** with **Kevin Carnes** (drums and percussion).

All shows 8pm. \$6-10 sliding scale. Info/res 415-289-2000



MUSIC

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April Tuesdays

FROM THE PAGE TO THE STAGE

PLAY READING SERIES

Footloose presents an interactive reading series of original one acts and full length plays by up-and-coming playwrights. Be a part of the creative process and support the cultivation of new work. Bay Area actors and playwrights come together to develop works in progress. Directors invite the audience to play an integral role in post-performance discussions and create an open forum for the shaping of new work.

The Making of Eye Contact by Dawson Moore. It's the final preview for his new play, and all the author wants is to survive. He's ill-advisedly cast himself in the lead, and his lead actress is leading a revolution. She's chosen the performance as the time to air her concerns about the script.



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Take It Like a Man by Kristin Gosney. It's a war of nerves as three roommates endeavor to maintain their humor and humanity in the face of the harsh economic realities under which they live in the City at the end of this century.

In Too Deep by Margery Kreitman. Lanie wants Jackie as a lover; Gordon wants Jackie as a wife; Jazz wants Jackie as a sex toy, and Jackie wants a new life. (An excerpt of Ms. Kreitman's comedy was read back in June of last year. It now returns in complete, full-length form.)

The Couples Show by Malachy Walsh and Cameron Galloway. A comic & poignant look at how couples cope with being together despite differences that suggest they should have separate addresses.

All Actors and Playwrights interested in participating in this series please submit resumes and scripts to Colin Hussey and Jonathan Scott at Venue 9. ALL SHOWS 8PM \$6-10 INFO/RES: 415 289-2000 Glorinda Marie MAY Host Comedienne

DAYS

Samantha Beers, Olive Bieringa Honey and Rubble Intense Physical Improvisation

Janet Thornburg A Brief History of Magic Comic Theater

Julie Binkley Dream House Dance Solo

> Ruth Botchan The Second Half of Joy May 18

Collective Seven Organized by June Watanabe An evening of interdisciplinary collaborative works among visual artists, poets, dancers, musicians and friends of



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Host Comedienne

Glorinda Marie

Mills College.

Ruth Botchan The Second Half of Joy Dance Solo

Miracle Malone Comedy

Cathleen Daly with Karen Penuelos and Jhene Canody *She's So Pretty* Performance Art

Debbie Taylor (choreographer), Sarah Luella Baker (performer) Adios, Barbie Dance Solo

Pronto Theater with Emily Fox and Jenny Schaffer Improvisational Physical Theater Original Action Pack featuring Camp Winnarainbow associates Jasper Thelin, Thessaly Lerner, Willie Fleishman, Peter Parish, Curtis Bedford and Rami Margron and Cass and Jeff Brown Improvisational Comic Theater



Featuring: Aurie Hsu, Ted Coffey, Judy Halebsky, Alex Potts, Nathan Lynch, Dylan Bolles, Paula Plessas and Caroline Quinlan.

Molly Barron Butoh Dance with Multi-Media

Mary Alice Fry w/music by Bruce Bjerke Sound Advice Multi-media Movement Theater

Followed by a Birthday Party for Artistic Director, Mary Alice Fry with Live Music and Food

Shona Curley Untitled Dance Solo

Miller Murray Monologues & Acappella Songs

Jennifer Bowen Burning Down To Heaven Solo Theater

ALL SHOWS 8PM \$6-10 INFO/RES: 415 289-2000 Produced By Mary Alice Fry Assisted by Sophia Sacks

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Slap & Tickle

Written and performed by Mary C. Matthews. Directed by Laura E. Woods. You're invited to slap & tickle

with gifted essayist and comedian, Mary C. Matthews. Matthews combines sharp wit with graphic literature. chronicling life's most outrageous joys and failures. Backed by a four piece jazz band and hilarious video shorts, this new, one woman show is not to be missed. All shows at 8pm. \$7-\$10 sliding scale. Info/Res: 510-849-0802

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND Written and Directed **Footloose Presents**

Real









by Peter Freund

Camera by Diana Mori. Live music with Matt Ingalls (clarinet). lohn Shiurba (guitar) and Karen Stackpole (percussion). Featured actors include Geoffrey Gallegos, Marin Van Young, and AnnieScott Rogers.

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Multimedia satire yanks apart the brilliant life of a composer in the midst of conducting his cutting edge music. The conductor, a controlling consultant, a home-based heroine, and an antiphonal audience interact with live musicians on the stage for a new notion of multimedia. This video-reality intersperses improvisation with scripted sequences making for a enthralling evening with vivid visuals, a solid script, and astonishing accompaniment by some of the Bay Area's hottest music experimenters.

"It's a typical night merging video, film and music, an increasing occurrence around the Bay Area...three projector screens surround live musicians. The total interaction is designed to expose underlying social habits, how much we really listen to each other, how we take each other for granted, and technology's role in masking emotions. By the end of the piece, the visual experience has become abstract, leaving audiences wondering where they fit into this semi-virtual visual reality." KATIE ZARLING, SF WEEKLY

"...the interaction develops into a funny, polticized dialogue about the similarities of language to music and the unfortunate distance between art and life." ELISE ARCHIAS, SF BAY GUARDIAN

Info/Res 415-289-2000 All shows 8 pm \$10

EXCLUSIVE SAN FRANCISCO APPEARANCE! **Blue Palm presents** Millennium **Stories**

Dancer-satirists. Tom Crocker and Jackie Planeix, perform a series of encounters that take place at midnight 12/31/99 in locations around the globe. Blue Palm's funny, poignant vignettes of love and sex at the dawn of a new Millennium are lubricated with witty dances and surreal twists.





This hip, husband and wife team is "a postmodern Burns and Alle with dance...like Nichols and May after an extended European tour." LA TIMES "Their work is highly sophisticated and, what's more, highly entertaining." Le Monde, PARIS

Show 8pm \$10-\$15 sliding scale. Info/res: 415-289-2000 Followed by a free tax relief party

APRIL SAT'S & SUN'S

Sneaky Pete Ensemble presents Vasilisa and the Saga of Baba Yaga



Written and designed by Chad Owens. Directed by Elkhanah Pulitzer. Original music by Eli Crews, performed by John Ingle and John Finkbeiner. Costume design by Lisa Solomon. Sound design by Greg Scharpen. Feature puppeteers: Sandhya Adnepos, Calum Grant, Kevin O'Malley, Chacha Sikes, Liebe Wetzel.

A classic Russian folk tale about a poor peasant girl named Vasilisa and the ancient witch, Baba Yaga are updated in this original puppet version. A magic doll, her dying mother's love, her long lost father, and a genuine romance with a Prince complete Vasilisa's heroic quest. Sneaky Pete Ensemble's shows are a variety of different puppet styles, including masks, colorful shadow play, rod puppets, hand puppets, large bunraku style puppets manipulated in full view of the audience, and over-sized costumes with articulated heads and hands.

SPECIAL BENEFIT SHOW for New Village Charter School, Sat., April 17 All shows 2pm. \$5 for children age 12 and under, \$10 all others Info/res 510-233-7413

Advance tickets and half-price tickets on the day of most shows can be purchased at TIX Booth on Union Square

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