

THOUSAND FACES FESTIVAL

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Live South Asian Dance | Dragon Burlesque
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An Epic Feast of Myth and Food

May 24 -26 2019
Alberta Avenue Community Centre
9210 118 Ave

"Moon Dreams" by Lorraine Shulba
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MESSAGE FROM THE FESTIVAL DIRECTOR

Welcome to the 2019 Thousand Faces Festival! For years it has been our privilege and delight to share with a diverse public the dreams of artists from Edmonton's and Canada's richly diverse cultural scene. For years we have delighted in providing a feast of myth and food, and this year is no different. However, this year the relationship between the festival and the recurring artists has deepened and matured – artists are stretching themselves now even more in our festival, whether it be director Maralyn Ryan's Childrens' Theatre maturing into simply Theatre for those with Hearts, dancer Malavika Venkatsubbaiah experimenting with a new approach to myth and music, or musician Sebastian Barrera teaming up with Slam Poet Lady Vanessa to create a stunning, passionate journey through darkness to the light. This is the essence of myth for me: using the stories of the past, in the now, to move us forward. To make what John Lennon called "Faith in the Future, Outta the Now".

There's no disguising that we live in challenging times. I hope that the heroic journeys these artists take you on may give you strength, grace and heart to meet these challenges in a way worthy of legend. I thank you for coming here to take this very special journey together with us. Please enjoy it like there is no tomorrow!

A String of Mythic Pearls Performances – May 24 and 25

- Pachakuteq Espinoza – Music of the Earth
- Excerpt of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream – Theatre Prospero
- A Kathak Terrana – Usha Kala Niketan
- Rabindranath Tagore's Freedom from Fear – Mark Henderson
- Stone Blood – Playwright Samuel Twinn reads an excerpt of his coming play.
- Somos Las Raizes (We Are The Roots) – Lady Vanessa Cardona and Sebastian Barrera
- Excerpt of Tololwa Molle's play Urashima Taro – The Thousand Faces Ensemble
- Virahi Chitra – a dance-drama adaptation of Rabindranath Tagore's Chitrangada, Malavika Venkatsubbaiah with Dr. Deepak Paramashivan, Prof. Michael Frishkopf, Michael Frishkopf
- Abhishek Iyer, Abhisek Iyer and Helen Belay.
- Shiva – Usha Kala Niketan
- Purple Dragon Burlesque – Arabella Allure
- NUKE – Written and performed by Gabby Bernard
- Fruity Mambo – Performed by Arabella Allure with
- Willka Pacha – Latin Rock and other styles!

Mythic Family Jewels Performances – May 25 and 26

- Family Quest For the Ultimate Jewel
- Urashima Taro
- Bengali Folk Dance – Usha Kala Niketan
- Free Ice Cream

PERFORMERS:

Quest For the Ultimate Jewel – Theatre Prospero

- Ana Mulino
- Cassandra James
- Helen Belay
- Kiki Twinn
- Patricia Gutierrez

A Midsummer Night's Dream – Theatre Prospero

- Director: Danielle La Rose
- Stage Manager: Steven Sobolewski
- Costume Designer: FengYi Jiang

Featuring Chris Pereira
Hannah Zacharko
Jarrod Smith
Lauren Hughes
Leila Raye-Crofton
Vina Nguyen



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Urashima Taro – The Thousand Faces Ensemble

- Director: Maralyn Ryan
- Stage Manager: Jordan Campion
- Production Designer: Ami Farrow

Featuring

Alyson Horne
Aran Wilson McNallys
Dara Downey
Jeff Frank
Kendra Humphreys
Kristen Schaeffer
Rico Pisco

You can catch full length performances of both Urashima Taro and A Midsummer Night's Dream May 26 – 31. Visit our website thousandfaces.ca to reserve your seat today!

Festival Creative Team

- Mark Henderson – Artistic Director & Festival Instigator
- Sofia Lukie – Festival Venue and Lighting Designer
- Ami Farrow – Lighting Designer
- Lorraine Shulba – Graphic Designer
- Beyata Hackborn – Lighting Designer

Festival Staff

- Stacey Batt – Festival Producer
- Lauren McCarthy – Assistant Producer
- Spencer Gilchrist – Tour Manager & Coordinator
- Shyanne Duquette – Social Media & Marketing Director
- Nicole Companytsev – Volunteer Coordinator
- Virginia Potkins – Feast Coordinator

Crew

- Cameron Tkachuk – Technical Director
- Judah Truong – Head of Sound/Technician
- Kahlan Oosterveld – Stage Manager: String of Mythic Pearls
- Hanna Loh – Stage Manager: Mythic Family Jewels/Assistant Stage Manager: Mythic String of Pearls
- Nichole Man – Technician
- Rory Vey – Technician

Board Members

- Andrew Switzer – President
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- Gerry Hofs – Director
- Hanako Nagao – Director
- Larry Richard – Director
- Malcolm Roberts - Director
- Wendy Smith – Director

Special Thanks To

- The Carrot Cafe
- Dave Banks
- Jennifer Wanke
- Karen Mykieta
- Mat Simpson
- Randall Fraser
- Stephen Michos
- The Alberta Avenue Community League
- Theatre Prospero
- Joseph Campbell
- MacEwan's Theatre Production Department

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Shows

May 24 + 25 @ 7:00pm - A String of Mythic Pearls
May 25 + 26 @ 1:00pm - Mythic Family Jewels
May 26 @ 7:30pm - Plays At the Carrot Café

The Thousand Faces Festival takes place on the ancestral and traditional territory of the Cree, Dene, Blackfoot, Saulteaux, Nakota Sioux, as well as the Métis. It is our privilege to create on this land, where people have created for millennia.

A very big thank you to all of our volunteers, who helped to make this festival possible.



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