

## Moisture Festival Varietè Shows

### **Varietè Shows**

The beauty of an exciting Comedy/Varietè show is that each act is given eight to 12 minutes to capture the audience with their skill, humor and daring - be it aerial, acrobatics, clowning, rope tricks, sketch comedy, juggling, dancing, singing, magic, puppetry, or astonishing bubbles. The pace is quick, with the Master of Ceremonies orchestrating the constant action and the live show band providing an underlying pulse that propels the show. People from all walks of life and from all age groups laugh together, appreciating a wide range of the weird and wonderful acts on stage. A true camaraderie exists among these artists who are rarely in the same town at the same time, creating a joyful and memorable experience for the audience. These **Varietè shows are for all-ages**, with the exception of the 10:30 pm Late Night Varietè (18+).

### **What people are saying:**

"It's a show full of freewheeling, old-timey, vaudeville-esque fun, replete with groan-inducing jokes by an emcee in black tails, straw hat and with a waxed moustache."  
*Lynn Schnaiberg, Seattle's Child*

"...the Olympics of Ooh and Ahh...just keeps expanding to meet the seemingly insatiable local demand for whimsy, sauciness, low-brow comedy and skillful stunts."  
*Misha Berson, Seattle Times*

"So big, bad-ass and cool, we can't even begin to express our excitement" *Seattlest*

"Listening to your fellow audience members enjoy the show is part of the festival's charm - and not having to silence a preschooler's shouts during the performance is something that every parent can appreciate." *Kris Collingridge for Parent Map*

"New, old-fashioned varietè with all the corniness, sexiness and unexpected brilliance that implies." *The Stranger 2007, Genius Awards Shortlist*

"A bang-up variety show that raises inspired lunacy to an art form..." *European Weekly*

"This annual performance festival makes you wonder why we ever thought (vaudeville) was dead..." *Seattle Weekly*

"...artful silliness... appealing as much to kids as parents..." *Seattle P-I*

"Every performance is a surprising, one-of-a-kind experience." *Seattle Gay News*