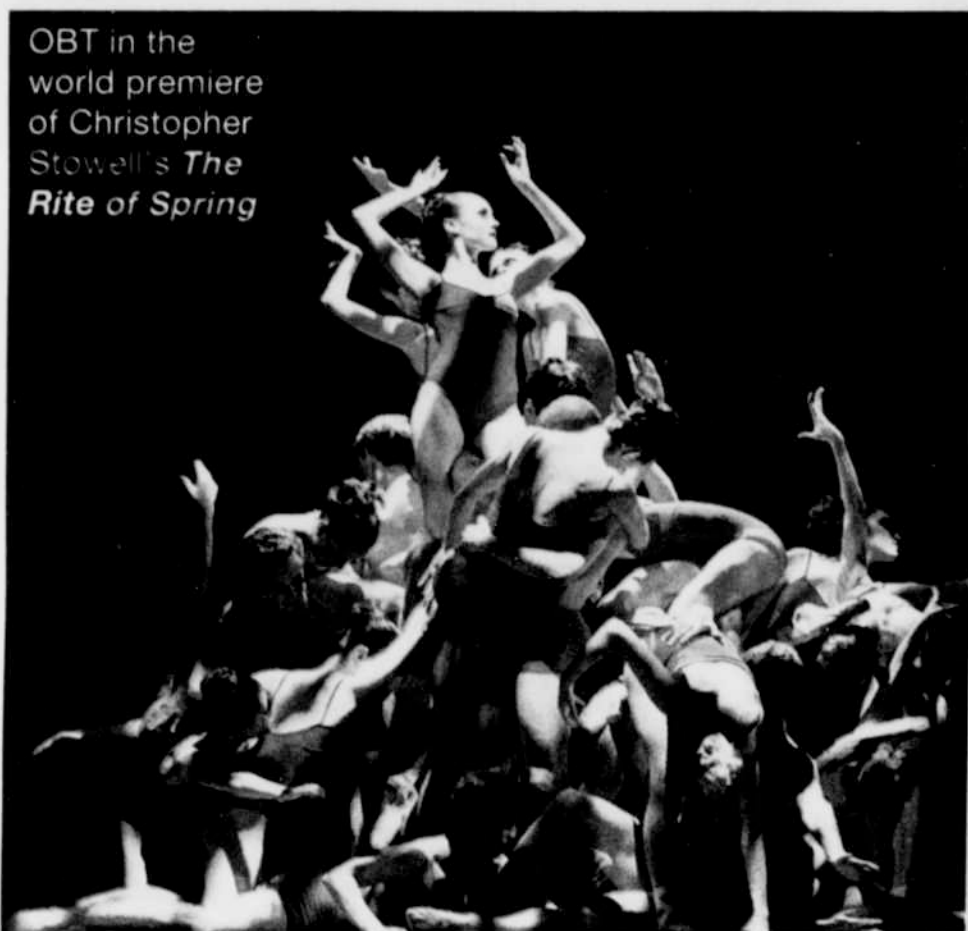


OBT in the world premiere of Christopher Stowell's *The Rite of Spring*



Honoring Stravinsky

Oregon Ballet Theatre debuts new collaborative project

From 1909 to 1929, Sergei Diaghilev and his company, Ballet Russes, changed the way the world thought of ballet.

Claude Debussy, Maurice Ravel and Igor Stravinsky composed the ballets' scores; Coco Chanel, Pablo Picasso and Henri Matisse contributed design elements.

Such powerful collaborations inspired Christopher Stowell, Oregon Ballet Theatre's artistic director, who says, "One of my goals since I came here [to OBT] was to emulate, to a certain degree, the Ballet Russes... It was such a fertile time for creating interesting art."

Although much of the choreography created for Ballet Russes has been lost, the music that Diaghilev commissioned

has retained its importance. Stowell has made a point of working with these famous scores to "create 21st century productions that speak to audiences now," including his own version of *The Rite of Spring*, which OBT premiered two years ago.

From February 26 through March 5, OBT will again perform Stowell's *Rite of Spring*, along with Stravinsky's *Firebird*, recreated for OBT by San Francisco Ballet's Yuri Possokhov, as part of its winter program—dubbed **The Stravinsky Project**.

Stowell wanted the program to also include a new work set to Stravinsky's music, so he invited four local choreographers to collaborate: OBT dancer

Anne Mueller, Jamey Hampton and Ashley Roland of BodyVox, and Rachel Tess of Rumpus Room Dance.

To create the collaborative work, also tentatively titled "The Stravinsky Project," the choreographers conferred with artist Morgan Walker and lighting designer Michael Mazzola, as well as pianist Susan DeWitt Smith and sound designer Heather Perkins, who will add an improvisational element by manipulating Stravinsky's music as the OBT dancers perform.

Feb. 26, March 4-5, 7:30 p.m., Feb. 27, 2 p.m.; Keller Auditorium, 222 SW Clay; \$20 and up; 503-222-5538 or Ticketmaster.

—Rebecca Ragain



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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Manifest helps Portland area men pursue their wellness visions and passions together in a variety of groups and classes.

Call 503-223-8822 x1 or visit manifestpdx.org for information.

MONDAYS

Morning Yoga & Meditation, 6:30-8:30 a.m.
Qi Gong, 6:15-7:45 p.m.
Work & Abundance Support, 7:45-9:15 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Morning Yoga & Meditation, 6:30-8:30 a.m.
Naked Yoga, 6:15-7:30 p.m.
Meditation Group, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Energy Healing Group, 7:45-9:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Morning Yoga & Meditation, 6:30-8:30 a.m.

THURSDAYS

Morning Yoga & Meditation, 6:30-8:30 a.m.
Yoga Basics, 6:15-7:30 p.m.
Yoga for Stress, 7:45-9:15 p.m.

FRIDAYS

Morning Yoga & Meditation, 6:30-8:30 a.m.

SATURDAYS

Herbalism & Nutrition, 3-5:00 p.m.
Give a Great Massage, 3-5:00 p.m.

SUNDAYS

Intro to Sacred Chanting & Meditation, 2:45-4:45 p.m.
Fitness Cycling Group, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Relationship & Communication Group, 5-6:30 p.m.

Burlesque S'il Vous Plait, a classic burlesque show with a contemporary variety twist, celebrates its one year anniversary featuring the burlesque blondes Angelique DeVil, Meghan Mayhem & Itty Bitty Bang Bang! (9:00 p.m., Crush Bar, 1400 SE Morrison, 21+, \$5, BurlesquePlease.com)

GO Blackout Leather Productions and Mr. and Ms. Oregon State Leather are happy to present **NW Sash Bash 2011!** Celebrate the regional, national and international titleholders through socializing, entertainment, and of course... play! (For more information and a complete schedule of events, visit NWSashBash.org)

Laughs Without Liquor. See *Just Out's* coverage on page 36. (8:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, \$20, laughswithoutliquor.com)

CC Slaughters presents **Mardi Gras 2011**, hosted by Bolivia Carmichaels, featuring DJs Dougalicious, Robb, and Dave Slutzki. \$200 prize giveaway! (10:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW Davis, 21+, ccslaughterspdx.com)

Mary's Unplugged. (10:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+)

Twisted Licious Karaoke. Join Lady OnaLicious as she hosts karaoke with a twist. (8:00 p.m., The Northbank Bar, 106 W 6th, Vancouver, 21+)

Oregon Bears Happy Hour. (5-7:00 p.m., Fox & Hounds, 217 NW 2nd, 21+)

Dining with the Divas! Hosted by Sabel Scities, it's a drag performance like you've never seen before. (7:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+ after 9:30 p.m.)

The Adventure Group goes on a 3-day cross-country and/or snowshoe weekend around beautiful Crater Lake. (Contact Evan at 503-701-

7922 for details and registration requirements.)

Film Fridays at Pivot! (7:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, Free, pivotpdx.org)

SAT MAR 5

GO Rose City Gay Freedom Bands **20th Anniversary Celebration**. See *Just Out's* coverage on page 17. (8-11:00 p.m., Kaul Auditorium, Reed College, 3203 SE Woodstock, \$15, rcgfb.org)

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Hilarious at the Hawthorne. It's a ladies night of comedy, hosted by Belinda Carroll with Veronica Heath, Virginia Jones, Whitney Streed, and Kristine Levine. (9:00 p.m., Hawthorne Theatre, 1507 SE 39th, 21+, \$5)

F/U/C/K the drama, come out and dance. (9:00 p.m., Local Lounge, 3536 NE MLK, 21+, \$5 after 9:00 p.m.)

Tony Furtado Band CD Release Party! With special guest Scott Law. (8:00 p.m., Alberta Rose Theatre, 3000 NE Alberta, 21+, \$15.00)

LIVE ART. Bring your camera or drawing materials and create live art from a selection of spectacular

local models. (1-3:00 p.m., Backspace, 115 NW 5th Ave., \$10)

Free Rapid HIV Testing for guys into guys. (5-9:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, pivotpdx.org)

SUN MAR 6

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Dirty Porn Bingo, hosted by Chi Chi and Chonga. \$2.50 well drinks from open to close. (8-10:00 p.m., Boxxes, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

GO Repent! **The Church of the Poison Mind** welcomes all sinners. Poison Waters presents the best hangover cure: no cover, free food, \$1 shots, beer bust, and a healthy dose of your favorite Silverado dancers. (4-9:00 p.m., Silverado, 308 SW 3rd, 21+, Free)

Mary's Matinee. Hamburger Mary's shows films on all of their screens while you dine. (All day, Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+ after 9:30 p.m., Free, hamburgermarys.com/PDX)

RCSA Softball New Player Day. Grab your glove and cleats and dust off your softball skills (or learn new ones) with the RCSA. This is not a tryout, as everyone who wants to play will get placed on a team. (Women's division: Noon, Open division: 2:00 p.m., Delta Park Field #4, 18+, Free, rosecitysoftball.org)

Ambiente bilingual discussion group. (2-4:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)



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