

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Holiday Revue Adds Star Power

Oregon Ballet Theatre adds an extra splash of Oregon star power to their hit alternative holiday program, the retro-glam Holiday Revue, with the addition of special guest artists Marv and Rindy Ross, the leaders of multi-platinum pop band Quarterflash.

Performing alongside the duo are returning celebrated songstress Susannah Mars and Richard Bower. Holiday Revue plays Saturday, Dec. 10 through Dec. 22 at the Keller Auditorium.

The show mixes holiday standards like "Christmastime Is Here" from A Charlie Brown Christmas, "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year," and "Let it Snow!," with contemporary holiday songs including William Bolcom's "Lime Jell-O Marshmallow Cottage Cheese Surprise" and "Hanukkah Blessings" by the Barenaked Ladies.

Tickets start at \$23. Visit obt.org or call 503-222-5538 for tickets.



Quarterflash founders Marv and Rindy Ross bring star power to the Oregon Ballet Theatre's Holiday Revue.

Winter Break Adventure Camps

Winter break promises to be fun and educational for kids attending the Oregon Zoo's new "Art-ic Adventure" day camps, Dec. 19, 20, 28 and 29.

The camps will focus on connections between art and animals from around the world. Activities include guided trips through the zoo, games, crafts and stories.

"Animals are the inspiration for art all over the world," said

Jennifer Whitener, the zoo's camps and classes supervisor. "We want camp participants to explore the importance of animals in culture."

Camp programs are available for children 4 years of age through 3rd grade, and hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children may attend one day, a few days or all four.

For more information and to register for camp, call 503-220-2781 or visit oregonzoo.org.

'A Christmas Story' Returns to Stage

The second annual production of A Christmas Story has returned to the Main Stage at Portland Center Stage.

The production was adapted for the stage by Phil Grecian from the cult holiday film based on a series of semi-autobiographical childhood stories by New York underground radio raconteur Jean Shepherd.

The story follows young Ralphie Parker on his quest for the quintessential Christmas present - a Red Ryder Carbine-Action 200-Shot Range Model Air Rifle.

A Christmas Story runs Tuesday through Sunday through Dec. 24. Tickets start at \$29, with tickets for those under 30 at \$25.

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