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Teatro ZinZanni Proudly Presents

“Love, Chaos & Brunch!”

Introducing A New Series of Select Midday

Saturday & Sunday Performances Starting June 6

TZ Brunch Performances Run Two Hours, Feature Three-Course Feast

SEATTLE – Markus Kunz, Managing Director of Teatro ZinZanni in Seattle, announced today that the long-running dinner theatre sensation will now offer selected Saturday and Sunday brunch performances beginning June 6. Modified from the regular evening performance, TZ Brunch shows will run from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and will feature a three-course gourmet meal designed by celebrated Northwest chef Tom Douglas.

“Over the years many patrons have requested this mid-day performance time. We think that our TZ Brunches will appeal to family, student and senior audiences alike,” said Kunz. “And we’re able to offer special pricing for children and seniors not normally available for our evening shows.”

General Admission seating is \$73 with children's tickets at \$51 (12 and under). Seniors and students are \$58. Group tickets are \$63 for groups of 15. A limited introductory offer of two tickets for \$120 is available for the Saturday, June 6th Brunch performance of *Under the Gypsy Moon*.

Since its original opening in October 1998, Teatro ZinZanni has delighted over a million guests with its swirling stream of performance, music and comedy all presented in the elegance and intimate comfort of a beautiful, antique Belgian *spiegeltent*. Guests are seated restaurant style to watch the show unfold beside, around, and even above their tables as they enjoy a gourmet feast designed by celebrated Northwest chef **Tom Douglas**. Hailed by *The New York Times* as "this city's hottest ticket," Teatro ZinZanni Brunch performances are scheduled for:

Saturday, June 6

Saturday, June 13

Sunday, July 26

Sunday, August 16

Saturday, August 29

Saturday, September 19

Saturday, October 3

Saturday, November 7

Saturday, November 21

Teatro ZinZanni's *spiegeltent* is located at 222 Mercer Street in the heart of Seattle Center's Theatre District. **For reservations, call 206.802.0015 or visit zinzanni.org or at the box office at 222 Mercer Street. For groups of 15 or more, call 206.802.0013.**

From the first pulsing notes of the Spanish guitar to the last twinkling of the tambourine, the current show at Teatro ZinZanni, *Under the Gypsy Moon*, is a delightful evening of romance, music and magic, now playing through June 21, 2009.

It's another zany night at Club ZinZanni, and Victor the maitre d' has his hands full with his love-crazed star-crossed wait staff and his big-hearted but extravagant boss, Ricky.

Tonight is particularly challenging because Ricky has invited a traveling troupe of gypsies to the tent as his guests. Music, chaos, and romance reigns, as suddenly Victor must confront his own secret past *Under the Gypsy Moon*.

Legendary Blues singer and original TZ cast member **Duffy Bishop** burns up the stage with her soulful stirrings and red-hot passion as Zara, the Gypsy Queen. New Vaudeville's Clown Prince **Geoff Hoyle** serves up several new comic characters.

French acrobats and fifth generation circus performers Charly, Toly and Eddy return as **Les Castors**, this time to spice things up as gypsy musicians and clowns as well as performing their prized Risley (foot-juggling) routine. The storyline of *Under the Gypsy Moon* was inspired by the brothers' personal history - they are descendents of a young aristocratic woman who was sheltered by a group of gypsies some generations ago. Charly plays the role of Victor, the maitre d', Toly is Uncle Dchabo and Eddy is a Gypsy musician.

Canadian clown **Joe DePaul** reprises his role as the hapless but lovable Ricky. Equally poised with power and grace, elegant equilibrist **Elena Borodina** performs her breathtakingly sensual hand-balancing act while rola-bola artist **Bernard Hazens** scales to new heights. Making their Teatro ZinZanni debut are local trapeze artists, the sizzling hot **Duo Madrona** and ruby throated diva **Dana Johnson**.

Teatro ZinZanni is an independent, non-profit arts organization, created by One Reel, known for producing some of the Northwest's premier arts events including Bumbershoot: The Seattle Music & Arts Festival, the Summer Nights Concert Series, and The Chase Family 4th, as well as a wide array of literary, educational, and cultural projects. A registered and qualified as a 501(c) 3 tax-exempt public charity, Teatro ZinZanni is dedicated to the communities it serves through performances, education and outreach. For more information, visit zinzanni.org.

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