ARTISTIC INFO

CIRK BIZ ART

THE NEW OLD CIRCUS CABARET !

THE SPECTACLE

Do you have the time?

Do you have the courage?

Cirk biZ'arT transports you to a new-old circus cabaret!

One hour - well, about 60 minutes - filled with fun flips, weird wizards, mind-blowing mind reading, lazy levitation, a boxing bout and the French Can't Can't.

It slams, it swings, it will astound your grandma!

But who are they?

They are 3.
She is beautiful.
He is not, but the other one is.
They speak lots of languages.
They do circus.
Well.
Very well in fact.
And they are modest.

On Stage
Bombled
Technician
Production & Booking Manager
Photos / poster / graphics

Jonah Katz, Laurie Roger & Rémy

François-Xavier Lartigue Anaëlle Strauch Imed Nawa Photography

Show for all ages. In French and English but adaptable for all langages.

Duration: 1 hour 13 - Stage or outdoor show

The IRK BI AR is:

5m30 of stupidity,

200 kg of sex appeal

and above all a dang good time!

THE WORDS

Inspired by the greatest of American burlesque (Keaton, Lewis, Chaplin, etc), we have revisited that which makes the old cabarets so beautiful. However, because we continuously search for the big laughter from our modern spectators **(IRK BIZ ART** is constantly adapting to audiences around the world.

Their love for improvisation and audience interaction makes **CIRK BIZ ART** appropriate for "all situations, all audiences", making each show a unique experience.

From both verbal jokes and extreme physical comedy to acrobatics, juggling, and general absurdity, the artists use every tool in their arsenal to allow the audience to appreciate the comedy on many different levels. All will be inspired to consider social justice and the state of our world.

* Some examples of things to consider:

"Women are not weak"

"It is possible to ignore borders and renounce violence"

"Another point of view is valuable for the group"



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"LAUGHTER IS A WEAPON OF MASS CONSTRUCTION"

The world is too serious. It could cause our own downfall because laughter is a cure-all for the spirit. It extends richness of life and life expectancy.

Some may say we three clowns, soldiers of laughter, save the world one laugh at a time by delivering one hour of extreme hilarity to our audiences.



One hour to forget your troubles. One hour to work your abs and zygomatic muscles. One hour for the best medicine : **laughter** & **circus**.

HOW DID IT ALL BEGIN?

The meeting of **CIRK BIZ'ART** could only have been written in the stars.



Beginning in 2013 near Nantes, France in a festival organized by **Cirque Lazuli**, there were two companies assigned to one trailer

On one side were Laurie and Jonah (Chuck & Charlotte).
On the other Rémy (Compagnie Les Vents Contraires).

These three found each other to be mutually stupid...

...in the healthiest way.

A year later, they slapped their show together and presented it at the 2014 edition of **Festival d'Aurillac** with the **Collectif des Possibles**, a "collision" of companies mixing their unique worlds. Created just for fun, the show was met with unexpected success. This led the company to plot an "art-tack" which resulted in an extended run at the 1st **Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque** of Marseilles.

By the beginning of 2015, the **(IRK BI)** ART clowns ended with so many offers a tour was booked before anyone knew what was happening.

(IRK BIZ'ART was here to stay!

Five years later, the Cabaret has been performed more than 200 times in 13 countries and has won 2 Prizes.

The Prizes:

- * Public Prize Festival Les Affranchis 2015 *
- * Public Prize Festival du Samovar 2015 *

The Countries:

France & French Guiana, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Netherlands, Portugal, Italy, Switzerland, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Morocco, Turkey/Turkish Kurdistan, Ivory Coast.

Some Places:

The Fusion Festival in Germany – Schools and refugee camps of the Turkish-Syrian border – The French Institute of Ivory Coast – Prisons of Gap & Marseilles, France - A XVIth Century Castle in Haute Marne, France – The ADM Festival in Amsterdam – The City Hall square of Festival International de Théâtre de rue of Aurillac - The Spiegel tent of Festival Les Elancees for the 2nd Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque of Marseille



In 2017, the company started creating a second show called BOUCAN which presented its Premiere in February 2019 for the 3rd Biennala (BIAC).

[For more information on BOUCAN, please have a look at Boucan Artistic Info File or check out our website www.cirkbizart.com)

THE ARTISTS



JONAH KATZ / CHUCK

Born in California, Jonah Katz is a versatile physical comedian with skills in theater, acrobatics, juggling, and dance. A graduate of the Clown Conservatory and Professional Acrobatic Training Program at San Francisco Circus Center, he has performed in theaters, clubs, circuses, and cinemas throughout the globe.

Jonah taught clowning and tap dancing all three years of the **Western Clowning Workshop** in **Nanjing, China**, and directed the hit shows *Haibao Restaurant* and *Dream Canteen*. He is a founder of **Chuck & Charlotte** and **Cirque en Déroute**.

Laurie Roger / CHARLOTTE

Born to a clown father and actress mother, at the age of six Laurie began intensive gymnastics and joined her family on stage as singer, magician's assistant, and French Cancan dancer completing Compagnie Les Culbutos. A graduate from the selective National Circus School of Châtellerault, Laurie then completed Circus Center's Professional Acrobatic Training Program in San Francisco, California with Master LuYi. Since then she has toured to almost every continent as an acrobatic clown.



REMY ROMBLED / JEAN-CLAUDE



When he was ten years old, Rémy wanted to save the world.

At 12, he realized he might not be strong enough.

At 14 he discovered circus and clown and understood that although he might not save the world at least he could make it laugh...

Thus, he began to study various performance disciplines. First, Circus (at La Tarumba in Lima, Peru), then theater with Théâtre du Radeau and the Company L'Alambik, then clown with Jango Edwards, Pauline Couic and Chloé Lebon, but also dance with Rose-Marie Aubril, film with Vincent Joly, slapstick with Elise Ouvrier Buffet...

In 2010, he founded the company **Les Vents Contraires** with Jérôme Sersiron. They had 3 creations: « ilababor », « Bulle de Rien », « Quand il pleut des Z'étoiles ». In 2013, he moved to Marseille with the artistic collective **Le Morozoff** where he began to discover how to change things (maybe not on a global level, but to begin within in his own neighborhood).

PRODUCTION / ANAELLE STRAUCH

Anaëlle began circus at the age of 10, but since she loved to move her neurons as much as the rest of her body, she chose to study at the Institute of Political Studies of Aix en Provence. Her different professional experiences (Festival of Fools - Belfast, Internexterne Cultural Cooperative - Marseille, International Biennial of Circus Arts - Marseille) led her to join the Cirk biZ'arT team as producer & sound technician, and since has combined her love for circus and her passion for Excel documents.

BOUCAN Premiere at Biennale Internationale 2 Feb. des Arts du Cirque, Ensues la Redonne BOUCAN at RICA, Rencontres Interculturelles du cirque $7 - 10^{th}$ Feb. d'Abidjan/ IVORY COAST 1 - 2nd Mar. Music Hall, Torino / ITALY BOUCAN Institut Français, Haya Cultural Center, Amman 13 - 15th Mar. **JORDAN** 23 & 30th Mar. Carnivals of Marseille with company Cirkul'R Residency for BOUCAN, Extreme Jonglerie, Marseille 8 - 12th April Residency for **BOUCAN**, Cirkadance, Seillons srce d'Argens 15 - 19th April 4 - 5th May BOJCAN Sisyphos Klub, Berlin / ALLEMAGNE 18th May **BOUCAN** Festival Tendance Clown, Daki Ling, Marseille 1st June Festival Rappel d'aiR, Dompierre 8 - 9th June Festival La Vie en Reuz, Douarnenez 13 - 14th June Artistic meeting circus with inmates of Baumettes prison, in partnership with Daki Ling, Marseille 27 - 30th June **BOUCAN** Fusion Festival, KulturKosmos, Lärz **GERMANY** 6th July Fête Vénitienne, Nickel Chrome, Martigues 13th July 20 - 21th July DJ set biZ'arT, Cafe FMR, l'Isle sur la Sorgue Festival Am Stram Gram, Crans Montana **SWITZERLAND** 31th Jul – 2nd Aug. **BOUCAN** Festival Les Mysteres de l'Ouest, Belle-Ile BOUCAN Festival L'Ete en Grand, St Die des Vosges 6th August 21 - 24th Aug. **BOUCAN** Festival International de Theatre de Rue, Eclat, Aurillac - Collectif Biz'arT at Parc de la Fraternite (# 10) 30 - 31th Aug. **BOUCAN** Festival Zaleska divadelna puť Bratislava, Zalesie / **SLOVAKIA** Cross Club, Prague / CZECH REPUBLIC 3rd Sept. 14th Sept. **BOUCAN** Festival Merci Bonsoir, Grenoble 21th Sept. **BOJCAN** Festival Serious Road Trip, Besancon 28th Sept. Festival les Embuscades, Cosse le Vivien (53) 25 - 26th Oct. Festival Art Pasi / FRENCH GUYANA Cabaret + DJ set biZ'arT

In 2017 & 2018, the company was touring with its first show « **CIRK BIZ'ART CABARET** » and creating the new show **BOUCAN** in the meantime.

3 – 25 Jan Hors -Lits Montpellier (34)

4 − 19 Feb Rencontres Interculturelles Cirque Abidjan IVORY COAST 5 - 8 March Research on BOUCAN with Jango Edwards, Marseille (13)

10 Mars Zumba Fest – Marseille (13)

26 Mar - 3 Ap. Residency **BOUCAN** at Archaos, Pôle national cirque Marseille

20 April Festival Génolhac en piste (30)

21 April DJ set for l'étoile du Nord, Cité des Arts de la Rue, Marseille

28 - 29 April Sisysphos Klub de Berlin – **GERMANY**

19 May Festival Tendance Clown, Daki Ling – Marseille (13)

24 - 26 May Imaginarius Mais - Santa Maria Da Feira - PORTUGAL Residency BOUCAN, Zim Zam, La Tour d'Aigues (84)

2 – 3 June Presentation BOUCAN at Festival Fadoli Circus (84)

9 June Festival R2 Fête - Fleury les Aubrais (45)
 15 June Théâtre des Routes, Furies – Ormes (51)

16 June Théâtre des Routes, Furies – Haussimont (51)

20 June Maison d'arrêt de Gap (05)

2 - 6 July Residency BOUCAN, Les Mystères de l'Ouest - Belle Île (56)
 7 July 10th year of Festival Contentpourien - Mantes la Ville (78)

22 July Château du Grand Jardin – Joinville (52)

27 July Letní Bláznění - Summer fools - Cheb – CZECH REP

2 August CDC de St Martin de Crau (13) 3 August Les Vendredis de Calvisson (30)

4 August Festival Monaque village - Salon de Provence (13)

6 August L'été Ossalois - Iseste (64)

9 - 11 August Buskers Bern Festival – SUISSE

25 August Festival Záleská divadelná púť, Bratislava – **SLOVAKIA**

31 Aug – 2 Sept KULTtRAUM Festival - Suhl – GERMANY

7 – **22 Sept.** Residency **BOUCAN** at Les Subsistances - Le Mans (72)

29 September Café Culture, Toulon (83)

5 October Festival Boeuf Théâtre, Antibes (06)

19 October Pont du Casse (47)

26 Nov. – 9 Dec. Residency **BOUCAN** at La Nef,

Fabrique des Cultures Actuelles, Saint Dié des Vosges (88)

10 - 26 January Research residency for **BOUCAN** at Colectivo Estreyarte Granada - SPAIN Colectivo Estreyarte, Granada - SPAIN 21 January Le Morozoff, Marseille (13) 4 February 11 February Festival Les Élancées, Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque, Istres (13) Residency BOUCAN at Centre international des Arts en 7 - 11 March Mouvement, Aix en Provence (13) Festival Serious Road Trip, Le Pellerin (44) 21 April Social circus festival in partnership with Serious Road Trip, 23 – 30 April Kültür Evi & UNICEF, Batman, TURKISH KURDISTAN Fête du 1er Mai at Cultural Center LBN - Loué (72) 1er May **20 May** Festival Les Cancans, Marseille (13) Festival Tendance Clown, Les Dimanches de la Canebière, **28 May** Marseille (13) Festivadour, Saubusse (40) 3 June

> Mouvement, Aix-en-Provence (13) Festival La Chalibaude, Château Gontier (53)

Festival les Déantibulations - Antibes (06)

Residency for BOUCAN at Centre International des Arts en

1 July La Nef - St Dié-des-Vosges (88)

2 July Fête de Quartier, Vaulx en Velin (69)

20 July Festimôme, Aubagne (13)

22 July Festival Les Pluralies, Luxeuil les Bains (70)

10 August Les jeudis de l'été, Decazeville (12)

13 August Alençon Plage, Alençon (61)

23 - 26 August Festival International de Théâtre de Rue, Aurillac (15)

2 Sept Festival Gitannekesfoor, Herselt **BELGIUM**

12 - 13 Sept Festival Merci, Bonsoir! Grenoble (38) **23 Sept** Festival La Basse Cour, Nîmes (30)

20 − 24 Nov Residency for BOUCAN at Daki Ling, Le Jardin des Muses,

Marseille (13)

10 - 11 June

14 - 20 June

24 - 25 June

27 March Festival Venez voir! Avignon (84) Residency at Nickel Chrome Martigues (13) 4 - 10 April 12 - 14 April lesidency at Extrême Jonglerie, Marseille (13) xtrême Jonglerie, Marseille (13) 15 April héâtre de l'Astronef, Marseille (13) 21 - 22 April 29 April-1 May isyphos Klub, Berlin, **GERMANY** estival Tendance Clown, Marseille (13) 5 May Testival Circasismic, Besançon (25) **13 May** estival Tendance Clown, Marseille (13) **14 May** Foyer Rural, La Barre (39) **22** May 4 June estival Les Hétéroclites, Saint Lô (50) 'estival de Fleury les Aubrais, (45) 11 June 14 June estival Passeurs du Soir, Equeurdreville (50) 'estival Ftw'art, Casablanca, MOROCCO 20 June estival de la Saint Paul, Sarreguemines (57) 25 - 26 June 6 July lendez-vous en Terrain Connu, Chemillé (49) 8 - 10 July 'estival Les Affranchis, La Flèche (72) estival Le Tri fait son OFF, Avignon (84) 12 - 22 July **23** July 'estival Festina Lente, Bonifacio (2A) estival Au bout de la Rue, La Bourboule (63) 10 August ess'tival, Besse (63) 11 August 15 August 'ête de l'Abonde, Lamoura (39) 17 - 20 August estival International d'Aurillac (15) 'estival Détours en Tournugeois, Tournus (71) 27 August **4 September** es Croqueurs de Pavé, Chalette sur Loing (45) 10 September estival Chant de foire, Bournezeau (85) 17 - 18 September 'illage des Arts de la Rue, Arpajon (91) estival 100 Détours, St Jean de Bournay (38) 23 September 'estival Petit Art Petit, Lézarap'art, Marseille (13) 24 September 7 - 8 October DM Festival, Amsterdam, NETHERLANDS héâtre de Fos sur Mer (13) 14 December Carte Blanche at Dar Lamifa, Marseille (13) 16 December 17 December 'estival « En attendant Noel », La Crau (83)

Théâtre du Têtard, Marseille (13) 1 February Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque, Marseille 4 February Dar Lamifa, Marseille (13) 5 February **6 February** Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque, Marseille 7 February Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque, Marseille 13 February Biennale Internationale des Arts du Cirque, Marseille Residency at Archaos, Pôle Cirque Méditerranée (13) 1 - 5 June 6 June Quai du Rire, Marseille (13) 7 - 12 June Residency at Cirkadance, Seillons Source d'Argens (83) 12 June Cirkadance, Seillons Source d'Argens (83) Festival Fadoli's Circus, La Tour d'Aigues (84) 13 June 18 - 20 June Quai du Rire, Marseille (13) Residency at La Fonderie / Théâtre du Radeau, 1 - 9 July Le Mans (72) Festival Contentpourien, Mantes la Ville (78) 4 July Festival Les Affranchis, La Flèche (72) 11 - 12 July *PUBLIC PRIZE **22 - 26 July** Festival Chalon dans la rue OFF (71) Festival Berlin Lacht, Berlin, **GERMANY 3 - 8 August** 10 August Les Nocturnes de Sallertaine, Sallertaine (85) Le Hangar Saboté, Sarzeau (56) 12 August 18 - 22 August Festival d'Aurillac - Collectif des Possibles, Aurillac (15) 5-6 September Festival At. tension, Lärz, GERMANY **24 September** Festival The Serious Road Trip, Avannes (25) **26 September** Festival OFF du Samovar, Bagnolet (93)

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