TROUBIE BIO

Troubadour Theater Company is a free-wheeling, no holds barred, Commedia Del Arte flavored, slapstick driven Los Angeles based ensemble of actors, musicians, and comedians that has been performing for audiences throughout Southern California and beyond since 1995. Their fast-paced, laugh-filled, loose adaptations (some of the lines are still there) of classic plays, literature and film, as well as their original productions make this company a unique and exciting experience for theater-goers of any age.

The Troubies, as they are affectionately called, have performed charitably for many causes including animal conservation, adult rehabilitation, AIDS awareness, California Literacy Night for LAUSD, children with autism and other youth programs. Troubadour members have professional experience as writers, directors, and performers for film, television, theater, orchestra and circus.

In its adaptations of classic and modern content, Troubadour has combined the beauty of the text with diverse physicality and movement, comic routines, and musical numbers. Improvisation plays a large part as audience members are called upon to help erect the set, sing along, and even enlisted to play parts! Never the same show twice! In recent years the Troubies have put their spin on all genres of classic tales, such as *A Midsummer Saturday Night's Fever Dream, Fleetwood MacBeth, Hamlet the Artist Formerly Known as Prince of Denmark and Frosty the Snow Manilow.* And thanks to its commissions from the Getty Villa, the Troubies have branched out to the Roman and Greek classic plays most notable adapting and creating *Oedipus the King, Mama* (with music from Elvis) and *ABBAmemnon* (with music from Abba) for the Villa's Classical Lab Series.

Troubadour Theater Company was one of five arts organizations selected by the Santa Monica City Council to program youth entertainment at the Miles Memorial Playhouse in Santa Monica. The Troubies' travels have grown each year to include theaters in Hollwood (The Ford Amphitheatre, The Roxy on Sunset, The Matrix Theatre), Santa Monica (The Miles Memorial Playhouse), Malibu (The Getty Villa), Burbank (The Falcon Theatre), La Mirada (La Mirada Theater for the Performing Arts), Laguna Beach (The Laguna Playhouse), Long Beach (The Carpenter Center), Garden Grove (Grove Theatre Center), Fullerton (The Muckenthaler), Ojai (Ojai Shakespeare Festival), San Francisco (San Francisco Fringe Festival), Hailey, Idaho (sponsored by Company of Fools at the Liberty Theatre) and Adelaide, Australia (Adelaide Fringe Festival). The Troubies have received numerous accolades including a two time honor for Best Season at LA Stage Alliance's Ovation Awards. For more information on the Troubies, please visit www.troubie.com and join us on facebook.com/troubadourtheatercompany, instagram @thetroubies and twitter @thetroubies.