

## X-CAMERA SPEAKER SERIES



# Lindsay Bellaire and Phillip Psutka: Articus: The Art of Fusing Theatre and Circus Friday, May 17, 2019, 12:00 noon

Fresh Ground 256 King Street East Kitchener ON N2G 2L1  
FREE - Everyone is welcome.

**Articus Productions** is a KW based performing arts company that creates innovative theatrical experiences through a fusion of theatre and circus, with a particular focus on aerial work. We aim to craft a fine balance of dialogue, physicality, and the spectacle of aerial work to tell riveting stories that feed the spirit and uplift people of all ages. The potential scale and depth of the work we create is limited only by our access to collaborators and resources. In this talk, we will give an overview of the work we have developed, our current projects, the challenges we are facing, and our vision for the kind of work we hope to create as we grow.

Bring your own brown bag lunch, or get a vegan lunch at the Common Ground Café next door. Each talk starts at 12:00 noon, with a 5 minute introduction, a 30 minute talk by the featured speaker, followed by Q&A. Each session ends with an open mic for those who want to make a quick pitch for collaborators, resources, support. Stay on to network and socialize.

**Lindsay Bellaire** is the Artistic Director and co-owner of Articus Productions where she works as a co-creator, choreographer and performer (Weird, Rough Magic, The Lumberjack Show, Shipwrecked). She has performed at festivals and events across Ontario, including the 2018 Dundas Buskerfest, Toronto International Buskerfest, and a brief tour to China in 2015. After graduating from the University of Windsor's BFA in Acting program, she trained at the Toronto School of Circus Arts, and is now a certified Instructor of Circus Arts through l'Ecole Nationale de Cirque. She has taught aerial arts and managed programs in Toronto, Muskoka, and Waterloo, and now oversees Articus' aerial programs at LOT42 in Kitchener.



**Phillip Psutka** After graduating with Distinction from the University of Windsor's B.F.A. in Acting program, **Phillip Psutka** trained extensively in stage combat, earning his Advanced Actor Combatant Certification with Full Distinction (FDC) and is now apprenticing to become a Certified Fight Instructor. He has performed with the Stratford Festival, CBC Radio, Humber River Shakespeare, the Toronto Fringe, Toronto Buskerfest, and the TV series Lost Girl. Notable works include: WEIRD (Playwright, Director, Fight Director), which won the 2016 Cutting-Edge Award (Toronto Fringe Festival) and Best of Fest (2015 Ottawa Fringe Festival); ROUGH MAGIC (Playwright, Fight Director, and performing the role of Caliban); and, STALLED (Playwright, Actor – 2013 Toronto Fringe Festival). He is the recipient of the Rapier Wit Award, a Tyrone Guthrie Award (Stratford Festival), and a Theatre Creators' Reserve grant (Ontario Arts Council) for the development of ROUGH MAGIC.



**COMING UP:** May 24 - violinist and interdisciplinary artist [Lesley Ting](#); May 31 - composer and sound designer [Colin Labadie](#).

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