



Ragamala Dance Company
Ananta: The Eternal



Close-Act Theatre's
Birdmen



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Song of the North

Dear Colleagues,

In the spirit of providing lower fees and reducing the touring footprint, you will find below anchored tours and avails for our international and domestic touring companies in consideration for your summer 2024 & 24/25 season programming. The information is organized by genre categories: Dance, Theater, Circus, and Outdoor/Installation. In some cases, we have included specific regions for routed tour dates.

Each of our companies offer extensive outreach services and community engagement programs. Full-length recordings and tech riders are available upon request for all shows. We are happy to provide fee quotes based on your projected schedule of shows. You can see where these companies will be performing for the next 5 months at this [link](#). Please do not hesitate to contact us for more information!

DANCE:

[Sankofa Danzafro](#) (Medellín, Colombia)

Afro-Colombian company of dancers & drummers from Medellín, Colombia.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

week of Feb 10, 2025

week of Feb 24, 2025

[more dates & periods are available!](#)

[Ragamala Dance Company](#) (Minneapolis, MN)

The acclaimed Bharatanatyam dance company offers a range of repertory from duets to the full company with live music and recorded score options, with fees beginning at \$8,000+ housing.

[Invisible Cities trailer](#)

[Ananta trailer](#)

[Avimukta trailer](#)

AVAILS: routed dates for *Children of Dharma* (premiering in Nov, 2024):

week of Nov 11, 2024

week of Jan 13, 2025

March 13-18, 2025

week of March 25, 2025

more dates & periods are available!

These dance companies from our roster have general availability throughout the 24/25 season:

[LaTasha Barnes' *The Jazz Continuum*](#)

[Yanira Castro | *a canary torsi*](#)

[Ann Carlson's *These Are The Ones We Fell Among*](#)

[fuse*'s *Dökk*](#)

[Lost Dog Dance's *Juliet & Romeo*](#)

[Monica Bill Barnes & Company](#)

THEATER:

[Manual Cinema's *Leonardo! A Wonderful Show About a Terrible Monster*](#) (Chicago, IL)

For ages 2+, a narrated adaptation of Mo Willem's celebrated & beloved books told thru live music and puppetry.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in the Midwest:

Sat - Tues, Sept 7-10, 2024

Sun - Wed, Sept 15 - 18, 2024

Sat - Tues, Oct 12 - 15, 2024

Tues - Mon, Oct 22 - 28, 2024

Nov 5 - 12, 2024

routed dates in the West: week of Nov 4, 2024 & Fri-Mon, Nov 22-25, 2024

routed dates in MidAtlantic & New England: week of April 7, 2025

More dates & periods are available!

[Manual Cinema's *Frankenstein*](#) (Chicago, IL)

Shelley's iconic story of love, loss & creation told thru a live score with shadow puppetry, actors in silhouette, and bunraku puppetry.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in Midwest: Oct 10 – 13, 2024
routed dates in MidAtlantic: week of Feb 3, 2025
routed dates in New England/MidAtlantic: April 24 – 28, 2024

[Manual Cinema's *The Magic City*](#) (Chicago, IL)

For ages 5+, this adventure follows Philomena, a girl who wakes up inside a miniature toy city she had built.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in the Midwest: Fri – Sun, Feb 21-25, 2024
routed dates on the west coast & SoWest: Feb 20 - 23, 2025 & week of March 3, 2025
routed dates in MidAtlantic & New England: week of April 8, 2025
[General availability from March 1, 2025+.](#)

[Bill's 44th](#) (Dorothy James & Andy Manjuck, NYC)

The award-winning, celebrated tragicomedy puppet show for grown-ups.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

Routed dates in MidAtlantic/South: week of Feb 17, 2025 & week of March 3, 2025
[more dates & periods are available!](#)

[Hamid Rahmanian's *Song of the North*](#) (NYC)

A large-scale, narrated shadow puppetry performance telling stories from the ancient Book of Shahnameh, The Persian Book of Kings.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in MidAtlantic & New England:
Jan 24-26, 2025
week of February 3, 2025
week of March 3, 2025
week of March 24, 2025
routed dates in Pacific NW: May 13-15, 2025 & May 20-25, 2024
[More dates & periods are available!](#)

CIRCUS:

[Machine de Cirque's *La Galerie*](#) (Quebec City, CAN)

For all ages, 7 acrobats and 1 musician set off an explosion of color through breath-taking circus feats.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS: Oct 21 – Dec 1, 2024 & Dec 26-31, 2024

[Machine de Cirque's *Ghost Light*](#) (Quebec City, CAN)

A breathtaking, award-winning teeterboard duet set with a saturated lighting design.
[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in MidAtlantic & New England:

Mon - Th, Sept 30 - Oct 3, 2024

Oct 10-18, 2024

Sun - Th, Oct 27 - 31, 2024

available dates for US, in general:

Oct 10-18, 2024

Nov 28 - Dec 5, 2024

March 11-31, 2025

[Minty Fresh Circus](#) (NYC)

For all ages, all-Black cast of performers celebrate the healing power of Black music & movement, infused with the joy & resilience of those who traversed the transatlantic slave trade. (Premiering Jan 31 & Feb 1, 2025 in Philadelphia, PA).

[Work-in-progress trailer](#)

[Pillow Lab residency 7-min video](#)

AVAILS:

Routed dates in New England, Mid-Atlantic & South:

week of Feb 3, 2025

Th-Sun, May 1-4, 2025

Sun - Th May 11-15, 2025

More dates & periods are available!

Compagnia Bacçalà (CH)

The international sensation of clowning duo Camilla Pessi & Simone Fassari offer a wordless performance of acrobatics, live music, and general mayhem, inviting the audience on a joyous adventure inspired by the ridiculous.

[PSS PSS trailer](#)

[OH OH trailer](#)

Compagnia Bacçalà has general availability throughout the 24/25 season.

OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE & INSTALLATIONS:

[SWAY's Bloom!](#) (US-based company)

Spectacular acrobats performing atop 15-foot sway poles in the great outdoors.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in SoWest/West: week of May 20, 2024 (Memorial Day is Mon, May 27)

routed dates in New England, MidAtlantic & Southern states:

week of July 22, 2024

week of August 5, 2024

more dates & periods are available!

Polyglot Theatre's BEES & ANTS (US-based company)

Interactive, award-winning participatory theater for children and their caregivers.

[trailer](#)

AVAILS:

routed dates in Midwest: week of June 17, 2024

routed dates in SoWest/West: week of Aug 5, 2024

more dates & periods are available!

Close-Act Theatre (The Netherlands)

Stilt-walking, promenading, gigantic puppets & fantastical creatures, outdoor spectacle

[Birdmen trailer](#)

AVAILS:

June 28 - July 2, 2024

week of July 8, 2024

Aug 30 - Sept 8, 2024

week of Sept 30, 2024

eVenti Verticali's SPHERE (Italy)

5 aerialists perform in/on/around a spectacular sphere, 100 feet overhead, outside

[visuals](#)

AVAILS:

week of August 12, 2024

Th-Mon, Aug 29 - Sept 2, 2024

week of Sept 9, 2024

more dates & periods are available!

Craig Walsh's MONUMENTS (Australia)

Large-scale portraits, projected onto trees, a night-time installation

[MONUMENTS trailer](#)

AVAILS:

week of June 24, 2024

week of Aug 12, 2024

week of Sept 16, 2024

more dates & periods are available!

Please let us know if you would like additional information on these or any of our touring companies. (For our complete roster of touring companies, visit our website: www.elsieman.org). Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope to hear from you soon!

Best wishes, Laura & Anna

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Photo (left): Ragamala Dance Company's *Ananta: The Eternal*
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Photo (center): Close- Act Theatre's *Birdmen*
Photographer: Luke Awtry
Photo (right): Hamid Rahmanian's *Song of the North*
Photographer: Courtesy of the Company