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Ten Tops Returns to Sacred Fools With Its Halloween 'Be Real Scary' Show



Los Angeles, CA (October 16, 2017) Sacred Fools' longest-running ongoing show *Ten Tops* returns just in time for Halloween on Monday, October 23 with its annual "Be Real Scary" show. Taking place in the Broadwater Black Box theatre, this edition of *Ten Tops* might feature ghost stories or other Halloween-related spookiness/silliness... or it might not, as the full lineup of performers won't be set until moments before... and anyone can show up and perform.

Ten Tops is the theatrical equivalent of an open-mic night without the stand-up comics. The formula for the show has undergone minor tweaks in its 20-plus seasons, but basically remains the same – the first ten performers to sign up get up to seven minutes each to do anything they want, from sketch comedy to dramatic readings to dance. The only prohibitions: No pyrotechnics, no glitter, no expression of bodily fluids, and no stand-up comedy.

"I've always enjoyed *Ten Tops*' anything-goes vibe; it's exciting not to know what's coming next, or to see people displaying a talent or interest you didn't know they had." says co-producer Corey Klemow. "It was also my first opportunity to perform on the Fools stage, and has been the entry point to the company for several of our longstanding company members."

There is one featured performer for this edition of *Ten Tops*: veteran writer, director and actor Joe Jordan, who has returned to Los Angeles after living and teaching in Texas for a decade.

Ten Tops during Mr. Burns, a post-electric play

This month's *Ten Tops* is taking place in the Broadwater Black Box on the woodland set of Act I of the current production of *Mr. Burns, a post-electric play.* "Joel Daavid's set is really ominous and kind of perfect for a spooky, Halloween-themed night for people to Be Real Scary," said co-producer Aaron Francis. Joining Klemow and Francis in producing Ten Tops is Ed Goodman, who also serves as the show's host.

All Are Welcome, Tickets are Pay-What-You-Can

Anyone can participate, sign-ups for performers begin at 7:30 pm, in order of arrival. If all ten slots already filled by the time a performer arrives, they can also sign up for the 'Charisma Round,' taking place after the main show where performers get three minutes each. Seats are available on a first-come, first-served basis and tickets are Pay-What-You-Can (and is FREE for performers).

Quick Summary

WHAT: Ten Tops
WHERE: The Broadwater, 1076 Lillian Way, LA CA 90038 *Note: The box office and audience entrance for Ten Tops will be The Broadwater Black Box via the Santa Monica Blvd. entrance.*WHEN: Monday, October 23 at 8:00 PM, Performer sign-ups begin at 7:30.
TICKETS: Pay-What-You-Can (FREE for performers!)
Press RSVP: <u>Publicity@sacredfools.org</u>

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