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PROJECT LA FEMME PRESENTS THE 3rd ANNUAL WOMXN GET LOUD

AT STAGES THEATRE INTERNATIONAL WOMENS' DAY SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2019 8:00PM

FULLERTON, CA – Project La Femme is proud to be hosting their third annual celebration of International Women's Day on March 8th at STAGESTheatre in Fullerton.

This one night, multi-genre show showcases a variety of storytelling through spoken word, drama, music and poetry celebrating all women asking "What are you no longer going to be quiet about?"

With a first person narrative style, this show brings together seasoned professionals and amateur performers for an informal exploration of empathy. The previous two years have incorporated a fundraising aspect to the show with donations going to She Should Run (non-partisan non-profit organization to help women candidates run for political office), Planned Parenthood, and LBGT Center OC. This year we are excited to partner with Laura's House, a domestic violence shelter that also provides counseling and legal support. Tickets to the event are free with a suggested \$10 donation, with 100% of donations going to Laura's House.

The biggest difference from the previous iterations is that we have made a commitment to be "radically inclusive" with an effort to not limit the show to a specific gender or sexuality. This allows the show to embrace queer folk who may or may not feel comfortable identifying with a label. This also makes space for those who are allies to the feminist movement, as well.

This applies to the name change from Women to Womxn. With so much of the material in the previous productions focusing on questioning of gender identity, it no longer felt relevant to label the show the same way.

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The term "womxn" is used, especially in intersectional feminism, as an alternative spelling to avoid the suggestion of sexism perceived in the sequences m-a-n and m-e-n, and to be inclusive of trans and nonbinary women. We are highly conscious that historically the feminist movement has excluded the efforts of women of color.

Ongoing list of performers (subject to change):

Tina A. Burkhalter
Andrea Marie Freeman
Jami McCoy
Julie Ackerman
Jenna McCarty
Nancy Johnson
Robert Tully
Jason Cook
Isabella Stoloff
Emily Schupp
Janette Valenzo

Check the website to see updated performer list.

More info about the participating organizations:

• About International Women's Day
International Women's Day (March 8) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. International Women's Day (IWD) has occurred for well over a century, with the first IWD gathering in 1911 supported by over a million people in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland. Today, IWD belongs to all groups collectively everywhere. IWD is not country, group or organization specific.

#IWD2020 #EachforEqual www.internationalwomensday.com

• *About Project La Femme*

Project La Femme is a collective of artist friends who felt compelled to create work that addresses social issues we personally engage in. This group came out of a discussion had by friends on the day of the Women's March 2017. Our mission is that the personal is political as we, a collective of artists, seek to create and investigate images and definitions of women through diversity, inclusiveness and honesty. Our goal is to challenge and expand on the concept of feminine, to use art as activism, provide value and support to our community and hold ourselves accountable in amplifying voices potentially deemed "other".

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• About STAGESTheatre

Since 1992, STAGEStheatre has been consistently entertaining Orange County audiences with ground-breaking, poignant, heart-wrenching, thought-provoking, laugh-out-loud, good-time, old-school theater, making us not only the longest running storefront theatre in the county, but also one of the most eclectic anywhere. STAGEStheatre is within walking distance of Fullerton's beautiful downtown area and is an intimate 60 seat theatre with ample, free parking located right outside the theater. Handicapped accessible and air-conditioned. 400 E Commonwealth Ave, Ste 4 Fullerton, California (714) 525-4484

Women Get Loud will be performed one night only at:

STAGESTheatre 400 E. Commonwealth Avv Fullerton, CA 92832

Sunday March 8, 2020 starting at 8PM Tickets are FREE, but we do ask that you RSVP at www.projectlafemme.com \$10 suggested donation at the door will go to Laura's House.