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- The Associated Press



Submitted photo

"VooDoo Bluez" is set in New Orleans and full of costumes, dancing, music and tricks.

BACKSTAGE PASS

Insights on stage, screen and beyond

Show Captures The Essence of **New Orleans**

Bv KRISTEN FIORE

Daily Sun Senior Writer

A captivating story, complex characters, live music, contemporary dancing and a bit of magic is what's in store for patrons at the Sharon L. Morse Performing Arts Center at the end of next month.

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CELEBRITY SPOTLIGHT



NICOLE KIDMAN

Nicole Kidman's metamorphosis in "Destroyer" surprises even herself. Kidman is almost unrecognizable as Erin Bell, a haunted and hardened police detective with little will left for police work or life, at all.



AZIZ ANSARI

A power outage forced comedian Aziz Ansari to finish his stand-up set in the dark. Media reported that Ansari was performing Monday at Zanies, when a downed power line cut the lights at the comedy club.



MICHELLE DOCKERY

Filming has begun for the "Downtown Abbey" movie. Michelle Dockery, who plays Lady Mary, posted a photo on Instagram with the caption, "And ... we're off." The film will reunite the Crawley family on the big screen.

LOS ANGELES

'Together Live' Tour To Feature Women Storytellers

A 10-city North America tour will feature stories and music aimed at bringing together women of all ages and backgrounds. Reese Witherspoon's Hello Sunshine and WME Partner on Tuesday announced "Together Live" will launch Nov. 3 in Boston. Leaders, musicians, comedians, celebrities and ordinary people will share real stories from their lives.

- The Associated Press

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VooDoo Bluez is a dynamic show that will take audience members on a journey through classic old and new blues music with aerial tricks, great costumes and expert choreography.

The show was created by Karen Maybury, who found inspiration for the show after visiting New Orleans.

"When I went to New Orleans, I was very intrigued," Maybury said. "It's so full of surprises and mystery."

So she created a show that

helps her feel like she's there. Maybury collaborated with her husband, Dave Webb, on

the musical aspects of the show. "He's a great musician," Maybury said. "Over they years, when we've been working,

we've done a lot of blues."

The show starts in the 1800s and focuses on young Angele, who is intrigued by Voodoo

practicioner Marie Leveau.

One night, Angele disappears from the streets and returns centuries later, where the audience can appreciate the contrast between old and new blues music and see all of the characters come together.

"The history of the music really made the show come to life," Maybury said.

The show will feature classic blues music such as "At Last," "I'll Be Seeing You" and "Superstition," as well as the popular hits of today such as "Black Magic Woman," "I Put a Spell on You" and "Bad to the Bone."

A short version of the show has been highly successful on cruise ships, and the show at The Sharon will be VooDoo Bluez's premiere on land.

The show, which is at 8 p.m. Oct. 27, will coincide with the Halloween Bash event at Spanish Springs Town Square the same night.

People can attend the event

on the square, trick-or-treat, participate in the costume contest and head to the show.

Some of the cast members from VooDoo Bluez will have a tent on the square. They will be dressed in full costume and ready to interact and take pictures with participants.

"I hope the audience has a really fun night and comes out of the show excited and exhilarated," Maybury said.

Tickets range from \$20 to \$49 and can be purchased online at the villages entertainment.com or at any Villages Box Office location. Kristen Fiore is a senior staff writer with The Villages Daily Sun. She can be reached at 352-753-1119, ext. 5270, or kristen.fiore@thevillages media.com.







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