

Arts Club Theatre Company presents

BLIND DATE

Starring Tess Degenstein
A Spontaneous Theatre creation by Rebecca Northan

January 2 – February 3, 2019
On tour

IN BRIEF The Arts Club presents **Rebecca Northan's** critically acclaimed **Spontaneous Theatre** creation **Blind Date** on tour throughout the Lower Mainland from **January 2 to February 3**. Tickets from \$29 at artsclub.com or the Arts Club Box Office at 604.687.1644

VANCOUVER, B.C. (November 13, 2018)—Staged over 700 times across Canada and the U.S. (including New York), as well as London's West End, **Blind Date** has been hailed as “fearless...and very funny” (*The New York Times*).

Audiences in the Lower Mainland will experience all the exhilaration and excitement of new love as Mimi goes on a different blind date each night, with a willing gentleman from the audience! This fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants fusion of clown, improv, theatre, and social experiment is sure to make you fall in love with Mimi and celebrate her audience-member-turned-Romantic-Hero.

The cast mingles in the lobby before the show to find audience members who might be interested in participating. Once inside the theatre, Mimi doesn't reveal who her Date will be until the show begins. What happens for the next 90 minutes is anyone's guess.

An actor, director, writer, and producer, **Rebecca Northan** created *Blind Date* in 2009. There are now four women trained to play Mimi in the original *Blind Date*, as well as two other talented actors who star in *Queer Blind Date*.

Northan said, “The thesis of *Blind Date* has always been ‘Everyone is loveable.’ There is great joy in leaning forward in your seat and watching two strangers attempt to connect. It's what being human is all about.”

STARRING

Lili Beaudoin (Scenographer/Mimi), **Tess Degenstein** (Mimi/Scenographer), **Ali Froggatt** (Scenographer/Mimi), **Jeff Gladstone** (Scenographer)

CREATIVE TEAM

Marcie Januska (Associate Producer), **Meredith Johnson** (Stage Manager & Sound Improviser), **Rebecca Northan** (Producer), **Christopher Oldfield** (Associate Producer)



TOUR DATES (Jan 2 – Feb 3, 2019)

Venue	Date
WEST VANCOUVER Kay Meek Arts Centre 604.981.6335	January 2–5
MISSION Clarke Theatre 604.629.8849	January 6
NORTH VANCOUVER The BlueShore at Cap 604.990.7810	January 8
SURREY Surrey Arts Centre 604.501.5566	January 9–19
COQUITLAM Evergreen Cultural Centre 604.927.6555	January 22–26
NEW WESTMINSTER Anvil Centre 604.521.5050	January 29
CHILLIWACK Chilliwack Cultural Centre 604.391.SHOW (7469)	January 30
MAPLE RIDGE The ACT Arts Centre 604.476.2787	January 31 & February 1
BURNABY Shadbolt Centre for the Arts 604.205.3000	February 2 & 3

ABOUT THE ARTS CLUB

The Arts Club Theatre Company, founded in 1964, is Canada's largest not-for-profit urban theatre company. Led by Artistic Director Ashlie Corcoran and Executive Director Peter Cathie White, it offers professional theatre at three venues—the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, Granville Island Stage, and the Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre—as well as on tour throughout the province.