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OpenStage brings a bold feminist play, 'The Revolutionists,' to Fort Collins
"Sometimes a revolution needs a woman's touch"

FORT COLLINS – Paris, 1793... hold on to your heads! OpenStage Theatre & Company is thrilled to present the second show of our fabulous 50th Essential Season, *The Revolutionists*, a feisty feminist comedy by Lauren Gunderson and directed by Brenna Freestone-Gilbert. Original music for the production is composed and performed by *Lois and the Lantern*.

Playwright Olympe de Gouges, assassin Charlotte Corday, former queen (and fan of ribbons) Marie Antoinette, and Haitian spy Marianne Angelle give the audience a look into France's fight for equality and freedom. As war and guillotines arise during the French Revolution, these four women emerge as the unsung heroes during one of the darkest points in history. *The Revolutionists* is a fiery, dream-tweaked comedy about art, activism, legacy, compatriots, chosen sisters — and how to change the world.

The Revolutionists performs January 14 through February 11. All performances on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday start at 7:30 pm. Matinee performances on Sunday start at 2:00 pm. Visit www.openstagerevolutionists.com for a complete list of performances, including a free student/educator performance, a pay-what-you-can performance and FAB Friday, which includes a free beer compliments of Odell Brewing Company. In addition, an opening night ticket gives you access to the preshow, a live music set with *Lois and the Lantern*!

Donations made during this production will benefit Planned Parenthood.

CONTENT WARNING: *Adult themes and language. Questions about content? Contact OpenStage at 970.484.5237.*

Tickets for *The Revolutionists* are \$12-\$34. Tickets are available online at www.openstagerevolutionists.com or by calling the Lincoln Center Box Office at 970.221.6730. The box office is open 12 pm–6 pm Tuesday-Saturday.

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Performance Dates

Thursday @ 7:30 pm: January 19 (Pay What You Can)

Friday @ 7:30 pm: January 13 (Student/Educator), January 20 (Fab Friday), January 27, February 3, February 10

Saturday @ 6:45 pm: January 14 (Opening Night Preshow: Live music set with *Lois and the Lantern* (included with an opening night ticket!))

Saturday @ 7:30 pm: January 14 (Opening Night), January 21, January 28, February 4, February 11

Sunday @ 2 pm: January 29, February 5

Cast

Olympe de Gouges

Marianne Angelle

Charlotte Corday

Marie Antoinette

Jessica Emerling Crow

Kaya Rudolph

Marin Stumpf

Sydney Parks Smith

Creative and Production Team

Director

Vocal/Music Director

Assistant Director

Stage Manager

Scenic Designer

Costume Designer

Brenna Freestone-Gilbert

Saja Butler

Starla Kovar

Hannah Armstrong

Lori Rosedahl

Rebecca Spafford

Lighting Designer
Sound Designer/Make-Up Designer
Properties Designer/Set Dresser
Hair/Wig Designer
Head Carpenter
Scenic Painter/Assistant Carpenter
Make-up/Hair and Wig Stylist
Production Manager
Production Manager
Technical Director

Toni Alexander
Victoria Villalobos
Jan Buecher
Kirsten Hovorka
Josh Porter
Mya Coca
Sydney Johnson
Sydney Parks Smith
Debbie Swann
Caleb Gilbert