

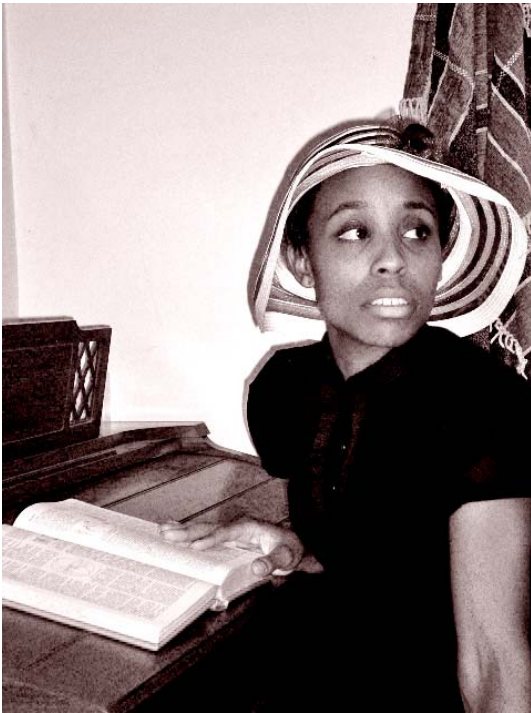
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PRESS RELEASE

ALL ABOUT WOMEN!

Wed 20 Jan – Mon 8 Mar 2010

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1867, by Palladini Productions – Image by Shakella dedi

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Valentine's Special

Mica Paris

A touch of live Soul and Gospel

Sat 13 Feb / 8pm / Bar / £20 / £15 adv.

Book online and receive a complimentary glass of pink bubbly upon arrival!

The UK's Soul Queen is back to her first passion: music. After the 2009 release of her first original studio album in ten years, and subsequent nationwide tour, Rich Mix is delighted to welcome Mica Paris to celebrate Valentine's Day.



Theatre

The Uninvited

Wed 20 Jan / 7.30pm / Venue 1 / £5

A performance tour de force telling the extraordinary stories of refugees and exiles from all over the world. Featuring the words, songs, humour and courage of those forced to flee their homes, and make a new life in foreign lands.

Performed by Liz Mansfield. Followed by a post-show discussion with:

- Veena Torthia and Nahid Behzadi from CRISIS UK
- Dan Hodges, Communications Manager from REFUGEE ACTION
- Alison Harvey, General Secretary of IMMIGRATION LAW PRACTITIONERS' ASSOCIATION

Theatre

Double Bill: Adi Lerer "On the Cusp" & Rachel Mars "Unto us a child is born"

In partnership with the JCC for London

4 Feb / 7.30pm / Venue 1 / £12 / £10 concs

Adi Lerer's **On the Cusp** is a world of magic realism, physical theatre and object manipulation, crossing boundaries in an attempt to acknowledge the "other". As an Israeli and a new British citizen, the show reveals aspects of her background and current state. It explores her persistent longing and need to meet her female counterpart, and what she represents; investigating personal and collective fears and hopes.

Rachel Mars's solo show **Unto Us A Child Is Born** looks at the contradictions of tomboy identities, how, when and if you can escape the grip of your family, and why it might be important to be able to lift your own weight. Funny, moving and curious, it was a hit of the East End Collaborations festival. The show examines all the muscles in the face, and how we use them to say a lot of words that never allow us to say what we need to.

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Comedy

Upfront Comedy

SWG: SISTERS WID GAGS

Fri 12 Feb / 8pm / Bar / £10 / £8 concs

Sisters are doing for themselves as Upfront Comedy present four of the UK comedy circuit's foremost comedians rocking up for an international night of no holds barred humour from a female perspective at Rich Mix.

Brixtonian Host **DONNA SPENCE**, introduces **Ms LONDON** recent winner of the 2009 *Funny Women* Competition and new face of BBC TV's CEEBIES channel, with her upbeat take on London life in the noughties this 20 year is running quickly up the stand up ladder. They're joined by the off the wall wit of manunian-Aussie **KERRY LEIGH**; whilst Brooklyn, New York's German speaking hippie chick **TAMIKA CAMPBELL** adds an international flavour - and much travelled cynicism - to the mix.

"the most enterprising black comedy promoters in the country" **The Guardian**

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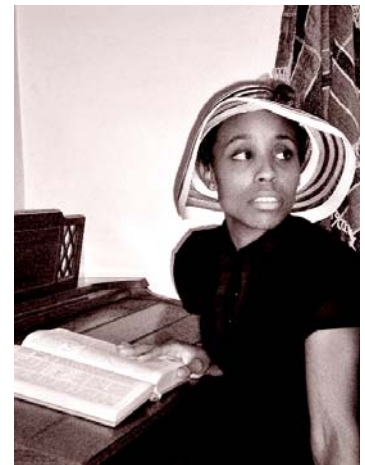
Produced by palladini Productions

Written by Theresa Roche

Directed By Saima Duhare

Thu 18, Fri 19 and Sat 20 Feb / 7.30pm / Venue 1 / £10 / £8 concs

1867 is a moving new play inspired by the story of Madam CJ Walker, who was the first self made, African American female millionaire. She made her wealth through the creation and distribution of hair products for Black Women. Set during the late 1800's and a few years after slavery has been abolished, the play celebrates the courage, strength and entrepreneurialism of Madam CJ Walker through the character Delilah McAndrew.



Music

Voices Across the Oceans

Sat 27 Feb / 8pm / Bar / £13 / £9 adv.

Dir: Antoinette Lester

Voices Across The Oceans is a collaborative music theatre production with female singers from Africa, Europe and The Caribbean. It will be directed by Antoinette Lester (via the Birmingham Rep) and includes a griot linking the music of the singers. Percussive rhythms will weave their way through the finest a cappella harmonies to celebrate the beauty of the human voice.



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Literature

International Women's Day

Mon 8 March / 7.30pm / Venue 2 / £5

To celebrate International Women's Day, a panel of leading writers will be talking about their work. Guests include **Diana Evans**, author of the award-winning *26a* and winner of the Orange Prize for New Writers. She will talk about the themes of migration in her latest novel, *The Wonder*, which spans three generations from 1950s Jamaica to contemporary London. **Bernardine Evaristo** will join the celebration, with more guests to be announced shortly...