

PRESS RELEASE

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It's Spring Break from February 29 to March 5, 2016... and TOHU is breaking out the fun!

From February 29 to March 5, during Spring Break week, TOHU will be bursting with energy and activities. As well as presentations of **CIRCUS INCOGNITUS** et **REMOUS REMIS**—two shows offered at a great price (\$10 for kids!). Also, physical skill will be on the menu this year during the day, thanks to **Festival Montréal Joue**. Balance, dexterity, movement, and the love of the circus await the young and young at heart. Whether you want to play in the snow or the outdoor play park or inside where you can warm up with amazing video and board games, a circus obstacle course or the zone for little ones, there's no better time to enjoy a break at TOHU!

Break free from your family routine and fill up on fun during a week of good times and free activities, from noon till 5 p.m., Monday to Saturday.

PRaised the world over, CIRCUS INCOGNITUS IS BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND AT TOHU!



CIRCUS INCOGNITUS by Jamie Adkins

PRESENTED BY LA PRESSE+, FROM FEBRUARY 29 TO MARCH 5, 2016,
WITHOUT WORDS, PRESENTED AS PART OF THE
MONTREAL EN LUMIÈRE FESTIVAL

"RELEASES PURE, HONEST LAUGHTER THAT GIVES YOU WINGS" LE MONDE (FR)
"A JEWEL OF A SHOW FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY" LE DEVOIR
"SIMPLY AWESOME. NO OTHER WORDS NEEDED" LE SOLEIL
"IT HAS TO BE SEEN—NOW!" LES INROCKUPTIBLES (FR)
"INFINITESIMAL ACTS OF IMPERCEPTIBLE GENIUS" THE NEW YORK TIMES (USA)

How do you present a thousand little daily tragedies while making people laugh and feel moved? That's just what **JAMIE ADKINS** has succeeded in doing with his wild and hilarious performance. Through a series of impossible and uproarious adventures, the celebrated clown-acrobat-juggler-illusionist-tightrope-walker attempts to win the audience over in this one-man show where tenderness and an irresistible humour meet. Using a narrative soundtrack of silence filled with acrobatic feats, **CIRCUS INCOGNITUS** tells the story of an ordinary man who has a message to share—but can't seem to do it. With the help of small acts and huge exploits, he takes us on a journey of obstacles that he finally manages to overcome—with surprising results!

Former member of Cirque du Soleil and Cirque Éloize, **ADKINS** is master of the art of "little nothings" that tie together exceptional innovation and poetry. The result is a joyful, rich, masterful, and delightful performance where every movement is polished to perfection. To date, **CIRCUS INCOGNITUS** has been presented over 1,000 times in over 280 cities around the world. For 5 years and up.

INSPIRE EVEN YOUR LITTLEST ONES DURING THEIR WEEK OFF!

REMOUS REMIS by La Marche du Crabe

PRESENTED BY LA PRESSE+, FROM MARCH 1 TO 5, 2016, WITHOUT WORDS

LA MARCHÉ DU CRABE is a young, up-and-coming Quebec company, and they're inviting children 3 and up to discover a fun environment on a rainy day. **REMOUS REMIS** is about a brother and sister who are trying to blend their imaginations—sometimes through rejection, other times through negotiation—in order to find a way to play happily together. It's like going down the Mississippi in a raft while avoiding obstacles, keeping an eye on the shore, navigating storms, and watching out for beasts. A pint-sized acrobatic performance for kids that's filled with movement and suspense—like the swells of a wave! Something to inspire your little ones during their week off! With Sandy Bessette and Xavier Malo.

A LITTLE MORE ABOUT JAMIE ADKINS Jamie Adkins began his career at 13 in San Diego, where he enchanted pedestrians as a street performer. Later, in San Francisco, he joined the Pickle Family Circus and continued his training. With many talents and years of experience as an acrobat, juggler and tightrope walker under his belt, he joined Cirque Éloize where he contributed to the success of *Excantricus*. He then collaborated with Cirque Éloize on his own production, titled *TYPO*, and left on a world tour to give some 200 shows in 2 years. In 2008, he created *Circus Incognitus*, which allowed him to share his art form and show spectators the full force of his talents. The performance has had over 1,000 showings to date in some 280 cities across the Americas, Europe, Australia, and China. Renowned for his ingenious ideas, incredible talent and clown acts, Jamie Adkins has been living in Quebec for 15 years and is considered one of the most talented Canadian circus performers of his generation.

A LITTLE MORE ABOUT LA MARCHE DU CRABE This company was formed in 2012 by Sandy Bessette and Simon Fournier, and groups together a wide range of creative artists devoted to living performances. Whether it's an improvised performance or a choir, on stage or in the street, the relationship between art and audience is always the star of the show. They are also the creators of *Explosions*, dancing installations that take shape when contemporary dance and visual arts meet.

A LITTLE MORE ABOUT MONTRÉAL JOUE *Montréal Joue* is a cultural festival devoted to games (video games, board games, role-playing games, and fun activities) that will be held from February 20 to March 6, 2016, in over 65 participating locations. Produced by *Bibliothèques de Montréal* in collaboration with *Groupe Banque TD*.

CIRCUS INCOGNITUS BY JAMIE ADKINS

FROM FEBRUARY 29 TO MARCH 5, 2016

FEBRUARY 29, 2 p.m.: OPENING PERFORMANCE

MARCH 1, 7 p.m.: SHOW FOLLOWED BY A MEET AND GREET WITH JAMIE ADKINS

MARCH 2, 3 AND 4, 2 p.m. AND 7 p.m. ○ March 5, 2 p.m.

WITHOUT WORDS | 5 AND UP | TICKETS BETWEEN \$10 AND \$38

REMOUS REMIS BY LA MARCHE DU CRABE

MARCH 1 TO 5, 2016, 10 a.m.

MARCH 1, 10 a.m., OPENING PERFORMANCE, MARCH 2: SHOW FOLLOWED BY A MEET AND GREET WITH THE ARTISTS

WITHOUT WORDS | 3 to 12 YEARS | TICKETS BETWEEN \$10 AND \$20

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR SPRING BREAK

FEBRUARY 29 TO MARCH 5, NOON TO 5 p.m.

FULL DETAILS AT TOHU.CA

TICKETS FOR *CIRCUS INCOGNITUS* AND *REMOUS REMIS* ARE NOW ON SALE:

ONLINE AT TOHU.CA IN PERSON AT THE TOHU BOX OFFICE, 2345 JARRY STREET EAST IN MONTREAL

BY PHONE AT 514-376-TOHU (8648) OR 1-888-376-TOHU (8648). THE BOX OFFICE IS OPEN EVERY DAY FROM NOON TO 5 P.M.

BECOME A MORDU DE LA TOHU AND SAVE 25%

TOHU'S BISTRO AND BOUTIQUE ARE OPEN DURING THE EVENTS AND SHOWS

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