

From Paris with Love – A VALENTINE BURLESQUE REVIEW

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8,
7:30 P.M.
DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 P.M.



It's true! Les Filles Rouges, the originator of "progressive burlesque" that both empowers and entertains, is returning to the Gualala Arts Center for an unforgettable night of song, dance, and underpants! What happens when a flock of Filles and their devilish MC travel here from gay Paree, just in time for Cupid's birthday? They end up with a show of pure Parisian love - like an éclair, but BETTER! With their trademark blend of class and sass, Les Filles Rouges' Valentine Revue delivers the ridiculous AND the sublime, as its ladies don their corsets and coquetry and grace the stage with their finery and foibles.

Polaris Dance Troupe founder Melinda Miller-Klopfer is bringing her acclaimed burlesque troupe back to Gualala for its first annual "Brrrlesque Winter Extravaganza" and it is definitely a show not to be missed. It marks the return of a troupe whose goals are not only to bring unique and relevant dancing to small communities, but also a European-style burlesque show with a strong foundation in feminism, empowerment and self-awareness.

Miller-Klopfer has spent extensive amounts of time in Paris and Berlin - two cities instrumental to the development of burlesque. She found the creative possibilities of the art form to be incredibly liberating

and beautiful. Parallel to her own experience, most European burlesque dancers were classically trained ballerinas who, due to injuries, could no longer perform as ballet required them to. Thus her Continental burlesque tends towards sophistication rather than vulgarity...with a healthy dash of slapstick.

As always, a portion of the show's proceeds go to Melinda's students in Bihar, India, where and self-respect and sexual empowerment are of the utmost importance. So come on out and join the revelry: doing good was never so much fun!

Martini bar will be open and beer, wine and soft drinks will also be for sale.

This is an adults-only performance, attendees must be 18 years of age or older with photo ID.

\$25 in advance, \$5 more day of performance

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