

Italian Comedy Tumbling Act Makes Changes For U.S. Audiences



The Trio Bogis, an Italian comedy tumbling act featured in the Las Vegas Hilton's "Bal du Moulin Rouge," has had to make some changes in their act since coming to the United States to perform.

The three brothers in the act, Leandro, Fabio and Marco, are the third generation in their family to perform in circuses and shows, but they are the first family members ever to appear in this country.

"It's a different type of humor over here," says Fabio. "In Europe, it's almost entirely visual comedy, but over here you can do joke lines. You can work with the audience more in this country."

The difference is that in Europe the Trio Bogis' type of act is confined almost exclusively to circuses, whereas in the U.S., their type of performers work more in stage settings.

"Here the audience is right in front of you and they can hear everything you say," he says. "I like talking to people."

Fabio says the comedy tumbling and acrobatic team changed their act for the stage also. Their performance is now eight minutes long, as opposed to only five minutes long when they performed with circuses. "We've added some more comedy and other tricks."

No matter where they perform, however, audiences are alike in one respect, he adds. It takes them a few minutes to get used to their act.

"Our act contains a lot of tumbling combined with comedy-like stunts," he says. "We use a lot of slaps and kicks, but it's all fake. Many people think it's real, but after awhile, they realize it is supposed to be like that."

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Daily protests are continuing in front of the municipal building here by members of Yad LeAchim, an anti-missionary group, who are demanding that the construction of the Jerusalem extension of the Mormon Brigham Young University be halted. The group charges that the university would serve as a center for missionary activities.

World Of Art Returns To The Boulevard Mall

Show director Don Palmer will be presenting his 25th Semi-Annual World of Art Show at The Boulevard Mall, Maryland Parkway at Desert Inn, in Las Vegas, for 10 days, Friday, September 13 through Sunday, September 22.

Fifty professional artists from 12 states will be showing and selling approximately 2,500 pieces of their latest original works of art.

Many of the artists will be working during the show -- painting in oil and watercolor, drawing in pen and ink, sculpting in stone and carving in wood.

"There will be a lot of fine art on the mall," says Palmer. "Try to spend a few hours at The Boulevard Mall. Come browse through the art, visit with the artists and watch them work. This is a great opportunity to buy fine art directly from the artists at reasonable prices."

Show hours will be 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Artists in the show will include Gerrie Feustel from Idaho painting watercolors in a contemporary style; Inge Faastad from California painting seascapes; Henry Ramirez from Las Vegas painting in oil in the style of the Old Masters; Jim and Sue Ratliff from Texas painting in an impressionistic style; Ron Mitchell from Oklahoma drawing oil fields; Thomas Wall from California showing sculptures in stone; Jan Bish from Texas painting in watercolors; Terry and Mary Lou Hutchison from South Dakota carving faces into Ponderosa pine knots; Steve Gardner from California drawing in pen and ink; Brian Schader from Arizona painting southwestern contemporary art; Margrit Matter from California showing sand art; Leona Rubin from Colorado painting Indians; Judy Dean from Las Vegas showing pottery; and Owen Richardson from Texas drawing caricatures.

TUMBLING TRIO - The Trio Bogis, an Italian comedy tumbling act, is currently featured in the Las Vegas Hilton's stage spectacular "Bal du Moulin Rouge." The production is featured twice nightly, except Mondays, in the Hilton showroom. Dinner show prices start from \$19.50 and the midnight cocktail performance costs \$16.00.



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