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**GLOBALLY ACCLAIMED ARGENTINEAN TROUPE FUERZA BRUTA
TO HEADLINE SINGAPORE NIGHT FESTIVAL 2019**



Singapore, 20 June 2019 – Having performed to more than six million spectators in sold-out shows in over 60 cities across 34 countries, renowned Argentinean troupe Fuerza Bruta will headline the 12th edition of the Singapore Night Festival. For three nights only, Fuerza Bruta invites everyone to step into their uninhibited and unforgettable world with a theatrical immersion that promises to flood the senses.

Festival Director Angelita Teo said, “Over the years, the Singapore Night Festival has established itself as the region’s key platform for local and international artists to come together, create, collaborate and present an amazing experience for our festival-goers. Fuerza Bruta is no stranger to Singapore and their performance this year will be a homecoming of sorts seven years after they first took the festival by storm. We are delighted to have them

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back with us this year, and look forward to yet another riveting, never-before-seen performance.”

Fuerza Bruta, which means “brute force” in Spanish, presented three acts in the 2012 edition of Singapore Night Festival. The troupe charmed festival-goers with dancers performing in a suspended translucent pool, acrobats challenging gravity against a massive foil curtain, and a celebratory aerial performance which rained confetti onto a rousing street audience.



Fuerza Bruta at the Singapore Night Festival 2012

The ticketed Singapore show invites festival-goers to step into new dimensions as Fuerza Bruta takes their arena experience outdoors from 29 to 31 August 2019. The show opens with brave performers tumbling through secret openings from a giant bubble towards audiences, gliding across a bouncy sheet above audiences, and swimming through a giant air tunnel to get up-close-and-personal with the audience. The energy of this segment is amplified with a



backdrop of laser projections and specially composed music.

In the second act, aerial artists take to the skies and everyone in the audience is given a front-row experience to the dynamic performance. In the style of immersive theatre, Fuerza Bruta encourages audiences to respond spontaneously, be it interacting directly with the bulbous set, reaching up to high-five performers, or even breaking out into mass dancing to the groovy music. Expect a 360-degree sensory theatre party complete with thumping

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percussion beats, mind-blowing lighting visual effects and confetti where festival-goers can immerse themselves in the experience and find out what it means to be *brutally happy*.

Diqui James, Creator and Artistic Director of Fuerza Bruta said, “We absolutely loved being part of the Singapore Night Festival in 2012, which was truly a one-of-a-kind event with the different programmes and performances presented. It was an amazing experience for us to perform on the streets and to see festival goers laughing and enjoying the moment. This year, we are excited to return to the festival with an even more immersive experience and to connect with the audience on a deeper level through up-close interactions and out-of-this-world visual effects. Gear yourself up for an exciting, extreme and intense performance with us.”

The Fuerza Bruta performance will take place at Cathay Green from 29 to 31 August 2019, with three shows per night at 8.30pm, 9.45pm and 11.00pm. Tickets cost \$15 and early bird tickets are available via [SISTIC](#) at \$12 from today until 9 August. More details can be found in **Annex A**.

The full programme line-up for Singapore Night Festival 2019 will be announced soon. For more information, please visit [nightfestival.sg](#).

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About the National Heritage Board

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About Singapore Night Festival

The Singapore Night Festival is the National Heritage Board's signature arts and cultural festival in the vibrant Bras Basah.Bugis district. A key event in the regional festival calendar, the annual festival provides a platform for artists and stakeholders to meet, create and collaborate to present world class acts and to transform familiar spaces in the arts and heritage district for festival-goers. A highlight of the festival is the interactive light installations titled Night Lights, which produces artworks that dot the district, or turns the facades of buildings in the vicinity into ephemeral works of wonder. Since 2008, the Singapore Night Festival has presented a diverse mix of artworks and performances by local and international artists, featuring cross-disciplinary acts and influences which continue to push the boundaries, and enthralled millions of festival goers.

About the Bras Basah.Bugis

The Bras Basah.Bugis (BBB) precinct, is Singapore's arts, heritage and design precinct, home to the greatest concentration of museums, historic monuments, heritage buildings, places of worship, arts groups, arts schools, and lifestyle malls in the city centre. One of the oldest districts in Singapore, Bras Basah served as a suburb in the 1800s and early 1900s to the busy city centre located around Raffles Place today; while the Bugis area was notorious as a haunt for sailors and transvestites.

More recently, BBB has evolved into the centre for education, arts, design and heritage, with major attractions like the National Museum of Singapore, the Singapore Art Museum, the Peranakan Museum, The Substation Arts Centre and the National Design Centre located here.

Singapore Management University, LASALLE College of the Arts, School of the Arts and the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts are also situated here. BBB's architecture is a unique and exhilarating mix of old and new, with churches and cathedrals such as the Armenian Church

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of Saint Gregory of the Illuminator, colourful Chinese and Hindu temples, and colonial-era buildings standing alongside stunning pieces of contemporary architecture like that of the School of the Arts (Singapore's only high school for the arts) and the National Library.

BBB is also a lifestyle destination, with its many malls and lifestyle/F & B clusters such as CHIJMES, The Cathay, Bugis Junction and Bugis Street capitalising on heritage, design and the arts for a distinctive shopping experience. BBB also has a vibrant events calendar, with exhibitions and festivals taking place all year round, culminating in the annual Singapore Night Festival in August where Singaporeans and visitors alike take to the streets, literally, to celebrate and party through the night.

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Singapore Night Festival 2019

23 – 31 August 2019 | 7.30pm – 12mn

Performance nights on 29 – 31 August 2019

Venue: Bras Basah.Bugis

Ticketing charges apply for selected programmes

Re-imagine the night at Singapore Night Festival 2019 as the Bras Basah.Bugis district transforms into an ethereal wonderland over two weekends this August. Watch the façade of iconic landmarks spring to life in brilliance, familiar spaces surprise with artistic expressions, and animated storytellers enchant the crowd. Promising something for everyone, one can look forward to an exciting line-up of arts, heritage and cultural experiences brought together by partners and stakeholders in the district. Join us at Singapore Night Festival 2019 and let us take you somewhere!

Fuerza Bruta

29 – 31 August 2019 | 8.30pm | 9.45pm | 11.00pm

Venue: Cathay Green (field across The Cathay)

Duration: 30 minutes

Ticketing Details: Tickets available at SISTIC (<https://www.sistic.com.sg/events/csnf2019>)

Price Category	Individual Ticket Price	Duration
Early Bird	\$12	20 June – 9 August 2019
Standard	\$15	20 July – 31 August 2019
Groups of 5	\$12	20 July – 31 August 2019

Having performed to more than six million spectators in sold-out shows in over 60 cities across 34 countries, here is your chance to see the internationally renowned Fuerza Bruta take Singapore by storm as the Argentinean troupe performs at the Singapore Night Festival.

Look forward to a 360-degree sensory theatre party spectacle performed over and around a standing audience. Brace yourself for an adrenaline rush in this kinetic combination of high energy and action-packed aerial acrobatics performance. Let reality take a backseat as performers soar to the skies and pack in plenty of surprises with mind-blowing lighting visual

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effects just inches away from you. A show that sets one free from inhibitions and transcends language and conventional theatre, here's your chance to fully immerse yourself and be brutally happy!

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