

## ODDS ARE “New New Vaudeville”

ODDS ARE is a collaboration of friends and fair veterans, including founding members of Shoestring Rockinghorse, Dream Science Circus, The Incredible Incredible & Button Wagon. Most members are based in and around the Lookout Arts Quarry, an artist in residency center, event site, and not-so-secret circus hideout just south of Bellingham, WA.

### THE CAST:

Matthew "Poki" McCorkle is fascinated with object illusions, mime and movement. His solo work with hoop has traveled to Dubai (Cirque Éloize 2014, 2015), The Philippines (2013), Taiwan (2011), and won the Palazzo Award at The Newcomershow in Germany (2014). Matthew also writes, directs, and produces full length ensemble works. He co-conceived the award winning physical theatre duo [Button Wagon](#) which toured Fringe festivals, Circus Festivals, Theatres, Circus Schools, Colleges, Music Festivals and more (2010-2013). His current projects include [The Incredible Incredible](#), a physical theatre company with partner Justin Therrien. He was a co-director of and performer in Shoestring Rockinghorse (WC Fields, 2012 & 2013). [mattpoki.com](http://mattpoki.com)



Nayana Fielkov is a performing artist who has received a Canada Council touring grant for Oracle Improv, and was the assistant director for Jessie Award nominated Hard Times Hit Parade. She is a creator and player in the roving troupe The Ladies in White, in the clown troupe Poupon Parade, and in the theatrical musical ensemble The Myrtle Family Band. She is co-founder of both Hawah art lab, and The Ancient Rugged Revival, as well as a founding member of Dusty Flower Pot Cabaret. [nayanafielkov.com](http://nayanafielkov.com)



## Bemya Nymh

Gnome vocalist known for improvising accompaniments of aerial, juggling, mime & clown acts. Sounds like a beautiful bird warbling lullabies & gibberish from the haunted skull of an old troll. Listen at: [bemyanymh.bandcamp.com](http://bemyanymh.bandcamp.com).



## Heather "Noodle" Jones

As a full time Set Designer and Visual Artist, Heather specializes in creating large scale, whimsical works of art and fantastical worlds for fantastic characters to inhabit. She designed the set and performed in Shoestring Rockinghorse (OCF 2012, 2013) and designed the set for Yipee Ki Yay Cabaret (OCF 2014).

## Noa Schnitzer

Circus schooling started from birth but officially at "Sandciel" a circus school based in Israel. After two years of aerial acrobatics, clowning, dance, tumbling, yoga and juggling, Noa found her passion in static trapeze and dance. Currently, Noa coaches aerial acrobatics at SANCA (School of Acrobatics and New Circus arts) in Seattle.





Islando Bocoock is a bouncing whirlwind of talents and tinkering. Always seeking titivating new opportunities; from private acrobatic entertainment for the ambassador of Hong Kong, prancing legs in a giant cloud puppet at the Oregon country fair, to skillfully sounding a spectrum of instruments for the circus band. There's not a moment left for dull at the end of this talented performers day. Islando has performed on WC Fields as a founding member of Dream Science Circus (many years) and with Shoestring Rockinghorse (2012, 2013).

Justin Therrien is an entertainer who challenges the audience's perception of what is real and what is illusion with his unique blend of movement and skill based manipulation. Among his repertoire of talents are a blend of traditional circus skills such as hat manipulation, juggling, unicycling and old sideshow stunts such as sword swallowing, fire breathing, and threading string through his nose and out his mouth (which he had a Guinness World Record for). These abilities have given him the opportunity to perform on many different stages all over the world ranging from small intimate theaters to giant festivals, dinner theaters, and opera houses. Justin performed in the Stage Left show (2012) and is a founding member of [The Incredible Incredible](#) physical theatre duo.



# PHOTOS

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