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Beloved drag icons @JinkxandDeLaHolidaySpecial (Facebook)/@JinkxandDeLaHoliday (Instagram) return to the Miller Theater with their holiday spectacular on 11/29, a festive, overthe-top comedy show presented by @EnsembleArtsPhilly (Facebook/Instagram) in association with @BenDelaCreme (Facebook/Instagram)! For more info, visit <a href="https://www.ensembleartsphilly.org">www.ensembleartsphilly.org</a>.

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# ENSEMBLE ARTS PHILLY, IN ASSOCIATION WITH BENDELACREME PRESENTS, WELCOMES BACK THE JINKX & DELA HOLIDAY SHOW, NOVEMBER 29, 2025

"... talented performers who know exactly how to balance the real with the delightfully absurd." — Billboard

"They have chemistry for days, not to mention affection galore, and comic timing that could draw a smile out of the season's biggest grinch."

— Broadway World

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (October 2, 2025) – Ensemble Arts Philly, in association with BenDeLaCreme Presents, is proud to welcome back "The Queens of Christmas," Jinkx Monsoon and BenDeLaCreme, with a brand-new show from the internationally acclaimed duo: *The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show* at Miller Theater on November 29, 2025 at 8:00 p.m. Throughout the show's 8-year history, Jinkx and DeLa have met sentient Christmas treats, twisted space-time with Dickensian Ghosts, escaped the meta clutches of their own holiday traditions, and led a harrowing rescue mission in the Nutcracker's Land of Sweets. Audiences never know what wild and unexpected sleigh rides the queens have in store.

Whatever the twists and turns, fans can expect another year of over-the-top camp spectacle, side-splitting gags, brand new songs, heartfelt storytelling, thrilling dance numbers, and iconic costumes. Hailed by *Entertainment Weekly* as "the reigning queens of Christmas," this show is not only a moment of respite, but a celebration of community, when we need it most of all.

"Jinkx and DeLa bring a one-of-a-kind mix of holiday spirit and theatrical brilliance to the stage. and, as their Philadelphia home for this uproarious show, we're thrilled to welcome them back," said Frances Egler, Vice President of Theatrical Programming and Presentations. "This year, we again celebrate their bold humor and infectious chemistry, just one highlight in a season full of diverse, inclusive holiday programs that reflect the vibrant communities we serve."

Jinkx Monsoon is a celebrated drag performer, actor, and writer who made history as the only queen to win both RuPaul's Drag Race Season 5 and All Stars 7. She received critical praise for her off-Broadway performance as Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors and broke new ground as the first drag queen to star on Broadway in Chicago. Monsoon recently starred in both The Pirates of Penzance and Oh, Mary! on Broadway.

BenDeLaCreme is an award-winning drag artist, writer, and producer, renowned for her visionary solo shows that blend campy comedy with heartfelt storytelling. A standout on Season 6 of RuPaul's Drag Race and All Stars 3. DeLa was named one of the series' "15 Fan Favorites of All Time."

In 2018, Jinkx and DeLa co-created and began starring in the wildly popular Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show, a production that has sold out theaters internationally. When the pandemic prevented touring in 2020, they adapted their stage show into the acclaimed film The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Special, which premiered on Hulu and garnered rave reviews from both critics and fans.

Other featured upcoming holiday performances include Ana Gasteyer's Sugar & Booze Holiday Spectacular (November 22, 2025, Perelman Theater inside the Kimmel Center); A Soulful Christmas (December 9, 2025); Béla Fleck & The Flecktones: Jingle All the Way (December 12, 2025); The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Handel's Messiah (December 12-14, 2025); The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents The Glorious Sound of Christmas (December 18-20, 2025); The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Children's Holiday Spectacular (December 20, 2025); Cirque Dreams Holidaze (December 23-28, 2025); The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents New Year's Eve Celebration (December 31, 2025); and The Philadelphia Orchestra Presents Disney's Fantasia in Concert (January 2–4, 2026).

### **Tickets**

Tickets can be purchased online at www.ensembleartsphilly.org, by calling 215-893-1999, or in person at the Academy of Music Box Office (240 S. Broad Street) daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. For more information, visit www.ensembleartsphilly.org.

# The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show

Miller Theater

Saturday, November 29, 2025, 8:00 p.m.

The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show 2025 tour is written by BenDeLaCreme with additional writing by Jinkx Monsoon, directed by BenDeLaCreme, and produced by BenDeLaCreme Presents (a company comprised of producers BenDeLaCreme, Kevin Heard, Gus Lanza, and Associate Producer Jin Moon). For more information, follow on Instagram and TikTok.

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