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Get ready for an incredible evening of laughter, music, and holiday cheer! The @thejinkxanddelaholidayspecial (Facebook)/@jinkxanddelaholiday (Instagram) is making its way to the @KimmelCC (Twitter/X)/@KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook/Instagram) on 12/8! For more info, visit www.kimmelculturalcampus.org.

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KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS 'QUEENS OF CHRISTMAS' IN THEIR HILARIOUS AND BRAND-NEW EDITION OF THE JINKX & DELA HOLIDAY SHOW, DECEMBER 8, 2023

"Sure to lift your spirits and make you howl with laughter." — The New York Times

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (November 1, 2023) – The Kimmel Cultural Campus, in association with BenDeLaCreme Presents, brings the spectacular and internationally acclaimed holiday event, *The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show*, on Friday December 8, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. at the Campus' Miller Theater. Another holiday season brings another year of fabulous spectacle, whip-smart comedy, and annual favorites. The iconic Jinkx and DeLa are back to uplift your holiday season with brand new songs as these two queens set out to create a classic Christmas show but can't agree on how they will pull it off.

"Effortless comedic timing, camaraderie, and charm mix in *The Jinkx and DeLa Holiday Show*, a delightful addition to our Campus' holiday offerings," said Frances Egler, Vice President of Theatrical Programming & Presentations on the Kimmel Cultural Campus. "This year, we have something for everyone, from the magic of Jinkx and DeLa, to the gifts of orchestral music, to spectacular cirque."

The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show marks the latest in a multi-year creative partnership between the two queens, which includes their most recent on-screen collaboration for the Hulu competition series, *Drag Me to Dinner.* Jinkx and DeLa's co-written holiday productions have grown into a worldwide phenomenon, spawning the 2019 tour, *All I Want for Christmas is Attention*; a Hulu holiday hit, *The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Special* (2020); and *The Return of the Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show, LIVE!* (2021), which performed for sold-out audiences across the U.S., UK, and Canada.

Jinkx Monsoon, *RuPaul's Drag Race* winner and "internationally tolerated" cabaret icon, has taken over the entertainment industry as an award-winning actress, acclaimed vocalist, and theatre sensation. Monsoon has toured the world performing her original cabaret shows with music partner Major Scales, including highly acclaimed shows like *The Ginger Snapped*; *The Vaudevillians,* which became a hit off-Broadway sensation; and their most recent production *Together, Together Again, Again.*

BenDeLaCreme (DeLa) is known for her appearances on *RuPaul's Drag Race* and combining her background in performing and visual arts with a love of spectacles, glamour, and Saturday morning cartoons. DeLa secured a spot among the show's "15 Fan Favorites of all Time." After being crowned "Miss Congeniality" on Season 6 of *RuPaul's Drag Race*, she returned to compete on the third season of *RuPaul's Drag Race All Stars*, where she garnered more challenge wins than any other competitor in the show's history. DeLa has since dazzled crowds through the Americas, Europe, and Australia.

Selections across Kimmel Cultural Campus holiday offerings include: **Disney Tim Burton's** *The Nightmare Before Christmas* (November 24 – 26, 2023, Verizon Hall); **Matt Rogers:** *Have You Heard of Christmas? Album Tour* (December 1, 2023, Miller Theater); *A Very Philly Christmas* (Nine shows, including December 1, 2, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, and 23, 2023, Verizon Hall); *The Glorious Sound of Christmas*[®] (December 14 – 16, 2023, Verizon Hall); *Children's Holiday Spectacular* (December 16, 2023, Verizon Hall); *Messiah* (December 20 – 21, 2023, Verizon Hall); Samara Joy: A Joyful Holiday featuring The McLendon Family (December 22, 2023, Miller Theater); *Elf*[™] *in Concert* (December 22 – 23, 2023, Verizon Hall); *Cirque Dreams Holidaze* (December 26 – 31, 2023, Miller Theater); *New Year's Eve Celebration* (December 31, 2023, Verizon Hall); and *Lunar New Year* (January 12, 2024, Verizon Hall).

Tickets

Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999 or online at <u>www.kimmelculturalcampus.org</u>. In-person ticket sales can be conducted daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Academy of Music Box Office, located at 240 S. Broad Street. See <u>www.kimmelculturalcampus.org</u> for more information.

The Whole North Pole VIP Experience

- One top price reserved ticket in the first five (5) rows
- Individual photo opportunity with BenDeLaCreme and Jinkx Monsoon
- Join the Post Show VIP Q&A with BenDeLaCreme and Jinkx Monsoon
- Autographed holiday card from BenDeLaCreme and Jinkx Monsoon
- One limited-edition Holiday Show ornament
- One commemorative Holiday Show VIP tour laminate

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- One top price reserved ticket in the first fifteen (15) rows
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- One commemorative Holiday Show VIP tour laminate

The Stocking Stuffer VIP Package

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- Autographed holiday card from BenDeLaCreme and Jinkx Monsoon

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The Jinkx & DeLa Holiday Show

Miller Theater on the Kimmel Cultural Campus Friday, December 8, 2023, 8:00 p.m.

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Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1-million guests per year and includes Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), the Academy of Music, and the Miller Theater (formerly the Merriam Theater) - representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to The Philadelphia Orchestra and esteemed Resident Companies: Opera Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, PHILADANCO, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and Curtis Institute of Music. With nearly 9,000 seats per night, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. Read Kimmel Cultural Campus' vision statement, world view, and mission statement here. Learn more about our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it encompasses our mission, coworkers, and programs here.

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