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"O": THE TIMELESS AQUATIC PRODUCTION BY CIRQUE DU SOLEIL ONLY AT BELLAGIO

Welcome to a place where all the world is water and the stage is all the world.

Franco Dragone, Writer and Director

Cirque du Soleil weaves an aquatic tapestry of artistry, surrealism and theatrical romance in the breathtaking production, "O".

Inspired by the concept of infinity and the elegance of water's pure form, "O" pays tribute to the beauty of the theatre - from the simplest street performance to the most lavish of operas - where anything is possible and where the drama of life plays itself out before our very eyes.

"O", phonetically speaking, is the French word for water (spelled "eau"). The international cast of world-class acrobats, synchronized swimmers, divers and characters perform in, on and above a 1.5 million-gallon pool. Reflective of a 14th century European opera house, the "O" theatre seats 1,800 guests and was custom-designed to meet the unique demands of the show.

The recipient of many prestigious awards and honors including a THEA award in the live show category in 1999, honorary Entertainment Design Award in 1998 and the "best production show" for eight consecutive years 1999-2006 by the Las Vegas Review-Journal, "O" still shines as an elegant and stunning creation and is recognized as such by the industry, the press and the public.

Since its opening in October 1998, more than 14 million fans have embarked on the dream-like voyage that is "O". Over 8,000 performances later, this lavish production is still as enthralling as ever thanks to the passion of the 70 performers and 150 stage technicians that make "O" come to life.

"O" CREATORS

Guide	Guy Laliberté
Writer and Director	Franco Dragone
Director of Creation	Gilles Ste-Croix
Set Designer	Michel Crête
Costume Designer	Dominique Lemieux
Composer	Benoit Jutras
Choreographer	Debra Brown
Lighting Designer	Luc Lafortune
Sound Designer	Jonathan Deans
Sound Designer	François Bergeron

Additional Creative Contributors

Synchronized Swimming Designer	Sylvie Fréchette
Aerial Acrobatics Designer	André Simard
Rigging Designer	Jacque Paquin
Make-up Designer	Nathalie Gagné

SHOW SCHEDULE:

- "O" performs Wednesday through Sunday at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.
- There are no performances on Mondays or Tuesdays.

TO RESERVE TICKETS:

- Call 888-488-7111 or 702-796-9999.
- Go to www.cirquedusoleil.com or www.bellagio.com.
- Visit the "O" ticket office at Bellagio or any of the MGM MIRAGE box offices.

TICKET PRICES:

- \$180, \$155, \$130, \$109 (plus tax). Tickets are available 120 days in advance of the performance date.
- Upgrade the "O" experience in the new opera house-style VIP Suites complete with chocolates, champagne and other luxurious perks. For price and information, call 888-488-7111.

GROUPS:

For group reservations of 12 or more, contact <u>lasvegas.sales@cirquedusoleil.com</u> or visit www.cirquedusoleil.com/groups for more information.

ABOUT CIRQUE DU SOLEIL:

Since 1984, Cirque du Soleil has brought wonder and delight to more than 100 million spectators in more than 300 cities in over forty countries on six continents. The company has 5,000 employees, including more than 1,000 performing artists from close to 50 different countries.

In Las Vegas, Cirque du Soleil has eight permanent resident shows. These productions include Mystère at Treasure Island, "O" at Bellagio Resort & Casino, Zumanity, The Sensual Side of Cirque du Soleil at New York-New York Hotel & Casino, Kà at MGM Grand Hotel & Casino, The Beatles LOVE at The Mirage Hotel & Casino, CRISS ANGEL Believe at Luxor Hotel and Casino, Zarkana at ARIA Resort & Casino and Michael Jackson ONE at Mandalay Bay. In Orlando, La Nouba is presented exclusively in Downtown Disney West Side at Walt Disney World Resort.

For more information, visit the Cirque du Soleil website at <u>www.cirquedusoleil.com/lasvegas</u>. Like us on <u>Facebook</u> or Tweet us: <u>@Cirque</u>.

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