

Carnival of Illusion

More than just parlor tricks at Reid Park

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TUCSON – Are you ready for magic old-school style? And when I say old-school, I mean turn of the century mystique as the nationally recognized illusionists Roland Sarlot and Susan Eyed return to Tucson this fall to present Carnival of Illusion a hip Victorian-inspired theater show which played to 62 sold-out audiences last season. This season opens September 2010 at the Doubletree Hotel Tucson at Reid Park. Tickets are available at www.carnivalofillusion.com and start at \$24.

Audiences are transported back to a time when magic flourished as an art and was practiced in the salons and “parlours” of the wealthy. Carnival of Illusion offers a modern, hip edge to the world of magic with an equal partnership, there are no assistants in this show! Susan is one of the world’s few female magicians. Carnival of Illusion combines wonder and mystery, humor and secrets to a select audience of just 35 guests.

Roland Sarlot and Susan Eyed have created a brand of magic which incorporates everything from unique twists on classic illusions to stories, music, dance and costumes one doesn’t usually think of in a magic show. Their magical vignettes take place around the world – at a café in Paris, a Moroccan Bedouin tent, a royal palace in ancient Japan and other places and times your imagination will love visiting.



“We are thrilled to have Carnival of Illusion back at the Doubletree. This show has been a hit with locals and tourists alike and is not to be missed”, says Helinda Lizarraga, General Manager of the Doubletree. “As guests of the show, Doubletree is pleased to offer attendees a two for one dinner entrée in our restaurant valued at nearly \$40 with each show ticket”

Sarlot left a career in astronomical research to return to his first love: performing magic. Eyed traveled the world, studied Middle

Eastern dance and received a degree in International Studies. In 2002, Sarlot and Eyed teamed up to create Dance of Illusion, a stage show combining the ancient arts of magic and dance and based on their international travels. Susan became one of the few female magicians in the world. In 2009 they created the parlor show, Carnival of Illusion.

Sarlot and Eyed 2009 National Recipients for “Excellence in Magic”, were granted “Featured Performer” status during their 21 show run at Hollywood’s World Famous Magic Castle. They have performed as house entertainers at the world’s top resorts including Canyon Ranch and Miraval. About: Roland Sarlot and Susan Eyed are National recipients for “Excellence in Magic” awarded by the oldest magic convention in the country. Fox News called them “Outstanding” and the LA Weekly wrote “Amazing”. These entertainers tour nationally sharing their love and respect for the ancient Art of Magic.

Carnival of Illusion will play September 17, 2010 through May 2011. Show times are every Friday and Saturday at the DoubleTree Hotel Tucson at Reid Park. Tickets available at www.carnivalofillusion.com or (520) 615-5299.