

**Title: The Comedy Lab: A Mixology Theatre Workshop** on Clown, Mime, Satire and Absurd with **Yuki Ellias**

Simplifying the art of comedy, Charlie Chaplin famously stated that all he needed to make a comedy was a park, a policeman and a pretty girl!

**Avid Learning** takes a cue from Chaplin in our upcoming comedy theatre workshop, which is more of a lab and less of a classroom, more participatory and less prescribed, where you get a chance to immerse yourself in the various forms of Comedy like Clown, Mime, Satire and Absurd with one of India's best Theatre Artists, Actor, Teacher, Comedy Performer and Alumna of the prestigious Ecole Internationale de Theatre Jacques Lecoq, Paris, Yuki Ellias. Yuki will simplify comedy, while helping you develop your skills of storytelling and listening, along with fine-tuning your comic timing and ability to perform "in the moment".

This workshop is open to people from all walks of life, aspiring comedians as well as theatre artists who are looking to develop their creativity and comedy performance skills in an informal and engaging way. As a special treat stand-up comedian and improv artist Brij Bhakta will be making an appearance to share his trade secrets.

**Where:** Essar House, Mahalaxmi

**When:** Saturday, August 29, 2015, 10 AM to 6 PM

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#### **About Yuki Ellias:**

Yuki Ellias is a theatre performance, movement director, teacher and filmmaker. As an actress she has performed in the UK, US, Canada, Australia, Italy and India. She played Hermia in the highly acclaimed production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', directed by Tim Supple at the Royal Shakespeare Company in Stratford and the Roundhouse, London. She trained in movement based theatre from the prestigious Ecole Internationale de Theatre Jacques Lecoq, Paris, and is also a trained pedagogue from the London International School of Performing Arts.

#### **About Avid Learning:**

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