



# Art of the Tease

## LAN Club hosts the **Moonglow Cabaret**

the perfect setting for a jazz-era cabaret in Beijing. Moonglow Cabaret is performing at LAN Club every Thursday through August 18, bringing classics of cabaret to the stage with a litle bit of 1920s Shanghai sex appeal.

"It's really fun and sexy," says LAN Club PR Manager Jun Jiang. "It's like Christina Aguilera all the time." As he talked, women in

sequined flapper dresses weaved between cow-skin couches offering cigarettes with Betty Boop

Moonglow Cabaret began as an offshoot of Swing Beijing and blossomed into this full-fledged, 70-minute performance at LAN.

MC Freaky Freddie opens the show with a classic 1920s jazz era piece that's part cruise-ship kitsch, part Moulin Rouge. The performing "Why Don't You Do Right," made famous when smoking hot Jessica Rabbit performed it in our pre-pubescent dreams.

A cabaret isn't complete without a bit of burlesque. Miss Holly D'light caused howls to emanate from the crowd as she demurely removed petals of clothing to reveal the flower beneath. The howling ceased only

LAN Club's eclectic, when jaws dropped to the floor as Philippe Starck décor is a Miss Gail Force dangled above blend of cultured art and recycled the stage in a hoop performing body parts from mannequins. It's feats we thought only Olympic gymnasts could do.

> Men rolled their tongues back into their jowls, and dabbed drool from their shirts, but they didn't stay saliva-free for long. The night picks up with a fun piece

"The cabaret is about three things: glamour, glitter and the art of tease"

> from the movie Gold Diggers of 1933 before returning to the tease with a feather fan show that concludes with panties dropping behind a quivering pink feather. In the true tradition of the cabaret, one male audience member was forcibly held back by his friends as his love for French performance art overcame him during a twogirl chair dance.

"The cabaret is about three sexy Lulu Galore then takes over things," says Freaky Freddie, "Glamour, glitter and the art of tease." All of these were achieved in this performance and a bit more with high-end drinks and tapas on offer all evening long.

> Tickets are ¥288 (soft drinks and tapas) or ¥588 (free-flow Champagne and tapas).

#### **■** Lauren Johnson

Moonglow Cabaret at LAN Club, every Thursday through August 18, 8pm. Tel: 5109-6012

# MANUS & GOSSIP

# **One Happy Beer Lover**

A few years back it was an awesome find if you discovered a place in the city selling Guinness. Now we have bars competing with literally dozens of imported, high-end beers. The Stumble  ${\sf Inn}$  has one hundred brews, Black Sun is now importing John Smith's and Morel's has been importing Belgian beers for a while, including some Trappist beers that are so rare he orders them years in advance. The newly re-launched Beer Mania has a wide selection of Belgian and French imports, like the coveted Chimay Red. El Nido now carries Vedett, a white Belgian brew that is a new arrival on the Beijing scene. Maredsous, a hearty Belgian beer, is available at Kro's Nest, where you'll also find an awesome bucket deal on imported beers during happy hour. There are dozens of places to drink saddled up to a bar, but if you want your liquid courage in bulk there is only one hot option. The now famous Heaven Liquor Store in Sanlitun sells all of these imported beers and more for

slightly above import cost. If you are willing to sip your high-end import in the alley outside the store, this is a great deal. Roll your shirt up over your gut, pull out a *xiang qi* board and party like a local.



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# **Parties**

#### FRIDAY, JULY 29

#### **Brazilian Carnival**

Three bands, 10 DJs, sexy dancers and much, much more arrive at LAN Club for an exciting Brazilian carnival party. The event spans three of LAN's concert rooms playing retro, carnival, salsa and electronic tunes so there will be something for everyone. Drink deals and VIP packages available. 9pm

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#### Infused Vol.3

Eddie Lv, Ou Yang and Mickey Zhang spin techno music at Punk for Infused Vol.3. An intimate setting for raging techno music, Punk is the ideal spot for these three local DJ legends who make more than the records spin with their wild talent. 8:30pm

Punk 6410-5222, info@barpunk.com www.barpunk.com

### Acupuncture Records Label Night

Acupuncture Records hosts a party to celebrate the dance music scene in Beijing in the true style of the epic bashes that Acupuncture is known for, like INTRO. This event highlights some of the best techno in the city. ¥50. 9pm

Yugong Yishan 6404-2711, doro@yugongyishan.com, www.acupuncture-records.com

#### Syndicate Sessions

The Syndicate crew returns bringing non-stop bass to the city's music lovers. Be prepared to dance old school style as the music pounds all night long. DJs include D-N, Kay C, Blackie,

LYDNB and Donkey Tonk. ¥50 after 11pm, 9pm

**2 Kolegas** 135-5227-6845, 136-9118-0119, alexdavidblackie@hotmail.com www.syndicate-dnb.com

#### DJ ND

DJ ND came in fourth at the DMZ world finals-no small feat. Now he's headed to Mix for a night of hip-hop done Chinese style. Be impressed with the mix of tunes as you throw back the green tea and Chivas at one of the best dance clubs in the city, 10pm

Mix 6506-9888, mixclub@sohu.com

#### Electric Cafe Vol.3

Germany's DJ Tobi takes to the decks with a potent blend of funk, jazz, electro and house that's sure to get things percolating. 10pm

**Q Bar** 6595-9239, party@qbarbeijing.com

#### SATURDAY, JULY 30

#### Acid Live & Wasabi Sound

Wasabi Sound brings the hottest tech-house music to the stage with performances by DJs Eric Lee, Sean D and Shen Yue from 3pm-9:30pm. The party includes barbecue and beer along with the tunes. As night falls, Acid Live takes over the party with live music performances by DJ Shiva and the band.

**2 Kolegas** 6436-8998, 2kolegas@163.com

## Sherlock Groove Vol.4

DJ Wang Bei keeps the sounds of the basskillvilles at bay with a grooveoriented mix of nu sound, soul and electronica. Other mysteries await

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