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1 NECCA announces lineup for second annual Vermont
2 Circus Festival

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5 The New England Center for Circus Arts (NECCA) has
6 announced the launching of the second annual Vermont Circus
7 Festival, which it says will “transform Brattleboro into a vibrant
8 celebration of circus arts” from Nov. 1–8.

9 Advance pass tickets are on sale, offering a package of
10 discounts on shows and workshops.

11 The Vermont Circus Festival is a regional event with an
12 international draw framed around circus performances,
13 workshops, and activities in Brattleboro and expanding to Putney.

14 “By sharing the magic of this art form, NECCA aims to
15 strengthen community connections, inspire creativity, and bring
16 cultural and economic vibrancy to the region,” organizers said in
17 a news release.

18 This year’s festival kicks off on Sunday, Nov. 1, with a
19 free community circus day, featuring circus classes for youth,
20 adults, and Silver 60+, as well as a free family circus show at the
21 NECCA Trapezium.

22 Throughout the week, eight different circus shows will
23 offer a variety of entertainment — including the one man show
24 *Happy to Be Here!* by former Ringling Bros. star Jan Damm, *The*
25 *Pieces* by the Aloft Circus ensemble that organizers say “wowed”
26 at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, a stage show by Circus Smirkus’
27 youth troupe, and the open stage Beta Night, when surprises are
28 to be expected from visiting performers.

29 One of many new engagements this year is a circus-
30 themed storytelling event in collaboration with The Moth
31 Community Program and Retreat Farm. True stories about circus
32 adventures and life-changing opportunities will be developed
33 during a Moth Community Program workshop and performed on
34 Wednesday, Nov. 4, as part of the festival.

35 There will be more than 60 workshops in everything
36 from mime to flying trapeze, low wire to aerial silks, offered to
37 students of all levels and ages.

38 The festival is supported in part by a grant from the
39 National Endowment for the Arts and the Brattleboro Town Arts
40 Fund.

41 For more information, contact NECCA at
42 info@necenterforcircusarts.org and view the calendar of events
43 and ticket sales at necenterforcircusarts.org.

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