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5 great shows to check out this week in N.J.



Mia Barron stars in the world premiere play "Hurricane Diane" at Two River Theatre in Red Bank
(Photo by T Charles Erickson)

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Narnia comes to South Orange

Bring the kids: A dance version of C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" comes to South Orange Performing Arts Center Jan. 21. Children ages 5 and up and their adult friends will enjoy watching Lucy and her siblings take on the White Witch. This afternoon show runs 55 minutes, perfect for short attention spans.

\$20 children, \$25 adults. Jan. 21, 2 p.m. SOPAC, One SOPAC Way, South Orange. 973-313-2787

Sing along with 'Vocalosity'

From the producer behind "Pitch Perfect" and "Glee," "Vocalosity" features 10 singers tackling multiple musical genres a cappella. Gregorian chants? Today's pop hits? They do it. Oh, and they dance, too. Catch the show at Mayo Performing Arts Center Jan. 21.

\$39-59, Jan. 21, 8 p.m. Mayo Performing Arts Center, 100 South St., Morristown. 973-539-8008.

Doktor Kaboom' makes electricity fun

For the last decade, Doktor Kaboom -- a teacher, a comedian, a magician and all-around- wild and crazy guy -- has tried to make science fun and accessible. He brings "Live Wire! The Electricity Show" to State Theatre for two shows Jan. 21. The good doktor, whose look mixes 1980s Thomas Dolby and Guy Fieri, simplifies the tough topics, like rocket science, and keeps it creative things like the science of Santa. Geared for a school age crowd, the shows are interactive and quick-paced.

\$25-35, Jan. 21, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., State Theatre New Jersey, 15 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. 732-246-7469.

'Hurricane Diane' makes its debut

This new play from Pulitzer Prize finalist Madeleine George imagines the Greek God Dionysus taking a female human form and attempting to gather followers and return the earth to its natural state. Her work begins in Monmouth County cul-de-sac. Yes, it's a comedy.

\$40-70, Through Feb. 2, times vary. Two River Theater, 21 Bridge Ave., Red Bank, 732-345-1400.

Stand-up and sarcasm in Red Bank

Stand-up comedian Sebastian Maniscalco brings his "Why would you do that?" show to the Count Basie Theatre for six shows Jan 19-21. Maniscalco, a popular late night TV guest, riffs on modern life and behaviors.

\$39.75-250, Jan. 19-21, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Count Basie Theatre, 99 Monmouth St., Red Bank. 732-842-9000.

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