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Molière in the Park Announces Its 2026 Season of Free Theater Across Brooklyn

Season includes a reprise of MIP's A Very Modern Classical Evening with Molière in the Park at BRIC, a workshop of Don Juan at Brooklyn Academy of Music followed by a work-in-process pop-up presentation at Domino Square, a 21-performance run of Don Juan in Prospect Park, and MIP's Annual Gala

NEW YORK, NY (February 2026) — [Molière in the Park \(MIP\)](#), Brooklyn's home for free world-class theater, announces its 2026 season — a dynamic lineup of presentations, workshops, and a full-scale outdoor production that reaffirms the company's mission to bring people together across race, economic status, and cultural background through free access to productions of Molière's plays.

The season of free theater begins this spring with a special presentation of *A Very Modern Classical Evening with Molière in the Park*, which includes staged readings of *The Regulars*, a short tragedy in verse by rapper, actor, and playwright [Le'Asha Julius](#) paired with *The Ludicrous Ladies*, a one act comedy in prose by Molière starring Emmy Award-winning star of *LOST*, [Michael Emerson](#) and [Lakisha May](#) at [BRIC](#). The season continues with a developmental workshop of Molière's tragicomedy *Don Juan*, translated by Stephen Wadsworth at Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM), followed later in the summer by a one-off work-in-process presentation of *Don Juan* at Domino Square in Williamsburg, and culminates in a four-week full scale production of *Don Juan* in Prospect Park, in partnership with Prospect Park Alliance.

"At Molière in the Park, our goal is always to connect the plays we offer with the lives and stories of the communities we serve," said [Lucie Tiberghien](#), Founding Executive Director. "This season reflects our commitment to artistic rigor, community building, and public access — from intimate readings to large-scale performances in the park."

All performances are free. Advance reservations will open at a later date. To receive priority updates and early access to ticket reservations, sign up for Molière in the Park's newsletter at www.moliereinthepark.org.

On November 9, 2026, MIP will hold its fourth annual OneLove OneTheater Gala in Brooklyn. Details will be announced at a later date.

2026 SEASON LINEUP

- **May 14, 2026 at 7pm: A Very Modern Classical Evening with Molière in the Park at BRIC – 647 Fulton St, Brooklyn, NY 11217**

MIP returns to BRIC with a special [Stoop Share](#) double-bill presentation featuring *The Regulars*, a short tragedy in verse by rapper, actor, and playwright Le'Asha Julius about lovers torn apart by political bloodshed, paired with *The Ludicrous Ladies*, starring Lakisha May (Jaja's African Hair Braiding on Broadway) and Emmy Award Winner Michael Emerson (LOST, SAW). In this fast-talking short comedy in prose, Molière takes aim at the performance of "refinement," exposing the vanity and desperation behind social climbing through the wildly comic downfall of three aspiring sophisticates whose hunger for status makes them perfect targets for satire. This presentation deepens MIP's partnership with BRIC and offers Brooklyn audiences an opportunity to engage with classical and contemporary voices in dialogue with each other.

- Free and open to the public
- Link to tickets forthcoming

- **June 19, 2026 at 7:00PM: INVITE ONLY Don Juan Workshop Presentation at BAM (Brooklyn Academy of Music) – 30 Lafayette Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11217**

Following a five-day workshop at BAM of MIP's upcoming fall production of *Don Juan*, MIP will host a private work-in-process presentation of the production as a preview, offering invited guests a first look at the company's reimagining of Molière's daring and provocative masterpiece.

A bold exploration of desire, defiance, morality, and power, *Don Juan* remains one of Molière's most controversial and electrifying works. The workshop process will allow the creative team to refine the adaptation, the original cello score, by Johnathan Moore and the staging before its full outdoor production.

- Free

- **August 14, 2026 (Rain date: August 15, 2026) at 7pm: OPEN TO THE PUBLIC *Don Juan* work-in-process pop-up presentation at Domino Square in Williamsburg - 12 S 3rd St, Brooklyn, NY 11249**

MIP, in partnership with Domino Park, will host a public work-in-process pop-up presentation of their *Don Juan* production as a preview, open to the public, offering a first look at the company's reimagining of Molière's daring and provocative masterpiece.

- Free

- **September 5 - September 27 2026: *Don Juan* at the LeFrak Center at Lakeside, Prospect Park (Four-Week Free Run in Prospect Park) – 171 East Dr, Brooklyn, NY 11225**

The season culminates with MIP's signature offering, in partnership with Prospect Park Alliance, the nonprofit that sustains the park: a fully staged, free outdoor production of *Don Juan* in Prospect Park. While Molière in the Park has traditionally presented its mainstage production in May, this year, for the first time, performances will take place in late summer/early fall due to expanded recreational programming at LeFrak Center at Lakeside in the spring. This shift positions the September run at a vibrant cultural moment in the city, inviting audiences to gather as summer fades into fall in one of Brooklyn's most beautiful settings.

MIP's annual outdoor productions have become a cultural highlight of the borough, bringing together diverse audiences for evenings of bold storytelling. With *Don Juan*, the company turns to one of Molière's most complex antiheroes — a character whose reckless pursuit of pleasure and refusal to conform feels startlingly contemporary.

- **September 5 : First Preview – *Don Juan* in the Park**
- **September 14: Official Opening Benefit Date (Benefit performance - ticketed)**
- *All performances aside from the opening night benefit performance, will be free and open to the public. Reservation details for all performances will be announced at a later date.*

- **November 9, 2026: MIP's 4th annual *OneLove OneTheatre Gala* (Location TBD)**

This festive evening brings together artists, supporters, and neighbors for an unforgettable night of performance, music, conversation, and celebration in support of MIP's continued commitment to accessible, world-class theater for all.

Guests will enjoy live theater performances, music, cocktails, and the opportunity to connect with members of the MIP community in an intimate and joyful setting. The evening will also

include the presentation of our annual Shoulder-to-Shoulder Award, honoring individuals whose leadership and generosity help advance the arts and strengthen our shared cultural life.

Hosts, honorees, ticket information, sponsorship opportunities, and full programming for the evening will be announced soon.

Save the date and join us as we gather in celebration of theater, community, and the power of the arts to bring people together.

For more information about Molière in the Park, visit www.moliereinthepark.org.

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ABOUT MOLIÈRE IN THE PARK

Molière in the Park (MIP) is a Brooklyn-based theater company dedicated to fostering empathy, dialogue, and community through free theater, founded on the belief that access to the arts benefits all, individually and collectively. MIP presents professional performances across Brooklyn, with a yearly 4-week run at LeFrak center at Lakeside in Prospect Park, removing economic and social barriers to participation while bringing people together across neighborhood, and backgrounds.

MIP's programming centers on the works of Molière, presented in contemporary translations and vibrant productions that resonate with modern audiences while preserving the integrity of Molière's language. Since its founding, the company has produced Molière's plays annually, including *Tartuffe*, *The Misanthrope*, *The Miser*, *The Imaginary Invalid*, and *The School for Wives*, with productions staged both in person and online, including during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Guided by a vision of a Brooklyn where all communities benefit equally from access to the arts, Molière in the Park is committed to equity, inclusion, and anti-racist practices. The organization's casting, hiring, and programming decisions reflect these values, prioritizing representation, accessibility, and public engagement at every level of its work.

Molière in the Park offers all performances free to the public and collaborates with local artists, educators, and cultural partners to deepen community connection and expand access to theater across New York City.

For more information, visit <https://www.moliereinthepark.org> and follow Molière in the Park on **Instagram**, **TikTok** and **Facebook** @moliereinthepark.