

Animal-Free Circuses

Animal-free circuses are growing in popularity. Whether you are looking for dazzling and humane family entertainment, a circus to perform at a fair, or a circus to sponsor for a fundraiser, these circuses feature only skilled human performers.

CIRCUSES	TOUR	FUNDRAISERS	DESCRIPTION
<p>Bindlestiff Family Cirkus P.O. Box 1917 New York, NY 10009 212-726-1935 1-877-BINDLES cirkus@bindlestiff.org bindlestiff.org</p>	<p>USA, Canada, and Europe in the spring and summer</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>This is a vaudeville-like show that performs mostly at festivals and other events and offers workshops and exhibitions in schools and universities.</p>
<p>Circus Center 755 Frederick St. San Francisco, CA 94117 415-759-8123 info@circuscenter.org circuscenter.org</p>	<p>California—the San Francisco Bay area</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>This circus is an exquisitely choreographed adventure of acrobatics, aerial work, dance, and clowning that relies on grit, not glitz, to get its magic across. It provides scholarships to low-income children to attend its annual circus camp and distributes free tickets to nonprofit organizations. It provides free shows for community festivals, neighborhood fairs, and civic celebrations.</p>
<p>Circus Finelli 522 Haight St. San Francisco, CA 94117 mail@circusfinelli.com circusfinelli.com</p>	<p>Internationally, based in the San Francisco Bay Area</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Four unruly women clowns present a Slavic, slapstick cabaret with daring comedy and dangerous cutlery. See the sights to entice and delight: juggling, acrobatics, contortion, dance, and disaster. All set to the tune of European accordion, and vaudeville ukulele. Ring Mistress Madame Vinaigrette hosts.</p>
<p>Circus Luminous 2778 Agua Fria, Unit D Santa Fe, NM 87507 505-992-2588 mail@wisefoolnm.org wisefoolnm.org</p>	<p>New Mexico (will work with other groups in the Southwest)</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>This is a dazzling and original production featuring daring young women on the flying trapeze, innovative choreography, elaborate costumes, and a turn-of-the-century look.</p>
<p>Circus of the Kids 9042 Shoal Creek Dr. Tallahassee, FL 32312-4076 1-866-CIRCUS-5 bruce@circusofthekids.com circusofthekids.com</p>	<p>USA, year-round</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>This circus is all about kids. They are the performers and are involved with the costumes, selling tickets, makeup, etc. The program is democratic, and there is no such thing as being too fat, too thin, or not smart enough to participate. The point is for the kids to feel good about themselves and to be challenged. This professional, intense, and strenuous circus allows ordinary kids to become stars.</p>

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<p>Cirque Dreams Cirque Productions Variety Arts Management 3803 N. 29th Ave. Hollywood, FL 33020 954-922-0888 info@cirqueproductions.com cirqueproductions.com</p>	<p>Internationally, in theaters and casino showrooms; on cruise ships, tours, and television; and at theme parties, festivals, fairs, trade shows, and corporate events</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>This is a combination of fantasy circus and Broadway dream in a European-style variety show with mesmerizing music, dazzling costumes, and limitless imagination. Customized productions are available upon request. Neil Goldberg's Cirque has performed at corporate events for MCI, GE, Aetna Insurance, and Motorola as well as at numerous fundraiser galas for large charitable organizations.</p>
<p>Cirque du Soleil 8400 Second Ave. Montréal H1Z 4M6 Québec Canada 514-722-2324 contact@cirquedusoleil.com cirquedusoleil.com</p>	<p>Internationally, year-round. Cirque du Soleil has permanent shows in Las Vegas and Florida</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>This circus offers a blend of music, dance, and stunning athleticism that takes the audience on a metaphorical journey. It breaks all the rules, and its art is in a constant state of evolution. Cirque has won more than 100 awards and distinctions from various organizations and institutions for originality in its shows and excellence in management. There are more than a dozen Cirque productions.</p>
<p>Cirque Éloïze 417, rue Berri Montréal H2Y 3E1 Québec Canada 514-596-3838 eloize@cirque-eloize.com cirque-eloize.com</p>	<p>USA (fall), Canada, and Europe</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>This circus combines theater with acrobatic performances, poetry, and circus thrills. Acrobats, clowns, jugglers, trapeze artists, and musicians team up to create a rich and subtle tango of emotions. Cirque Éloïze has also developed a strong expertise in providing modern circus entertainment for private galas and corporate events.</p>
<p>Cirque Plume 37, rue Battant Besançon 25000 France 33-3-81-81-38-80 info@cirqueplume.com cirqueplume.com</p>	<p>USA and Europe—large venues only</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Performances combine music, dance, comedy, and gymnastics.</p>
<p>Fern Street Circus P.O. Box 621004 San Diego, CA 92162 619-235-9756 info@fernstreetcircus.com fernstreetcircus.com</p>	<p>San Diego area</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>This circus provides free quality entertainment to underserved neighborhoods. Also provides free-of-charge circus and music instruction at city recreation centers. This is a professional circus and variety artist performance in a simple and whimsical setting.</p>

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<p>Flying Fruit Fly Circus 609 Hovell St. Albury, NSW 2640 Australia 02-6021-7044 info@fruitflycircus.com.au fruitflycircus.com.au</p>	<p>Internationally, year-round</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Performances are a blend of circus, dance, theater, and live percussion with attitude. Australia's Flying Fruit Fly Circus has established itself as one of the world's premier youth performing arts companies. Its mission is to promote and enhance the education and cultural development of young people by providing high-quality circus training and by producing and touring contemporary circus performances.</p>
<p>Flying High Circus FSU Circus P.O. Box 3064026 Tallahassee, FL 32306-3064 850-644-4874 circus@admin.fsu.edu circus.fsu.edu</p>	<p>USA, primarily in the Southeast. Occasionally tours in the Bahamas, Canada, the Dominican Republic, Europe, the Virgin Islands, and the West Indies</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Performances feature high-wire acts, juggling acts, bicycle tricks, and acrobatics. The Flying High Circus performs on the road for a number of sponsored events. Shows range from 30 minutes in length to more than two hours, for all kinds of gatherings—including fairs, public or private fundraisers, or conventions. Performances can be held indoors, outdoors, or under the circus's own big top.</p>
<p>Gregangelo & Velocity Circus Troupe 225 San Leandro Way San Francisco, CA 94127 415-664-0095 info@gregangelo.com gregangelo.com</p>	<p>USA, year-round (mainly commissioned by corporations for special events)</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Shows combine daring skill, comedy, dazzling aerials, interactive audience antics, and magic, with stunning costumes and music. This troupe offers custom shows for business promotions, private parties, fairs, festivals, aerial classes, and more.</p>
<p>Hiccup Circus Hawaii's Volcano Circus Educational Nonprofit Organizations RR 2, Box 4524 Pahoa, HI 96778 808-965-8756 graham@hiccupcircus.com hiccupcircus.com</p>	<p>Hawaii, year-round, and occasionally in California</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>This circus performs at community events and works with schools. It has a unique program offering educational services to the public, with emphasis on elementary and intermediate school-age children and teenagers, especially in underserved, isolated rural communities.</p>
<p>Imperial Circus of China c/o Management One, LLC 7380 Sand Lake Rd., Ste. 350 Orlando, FL 32819 407-909-1013 john.regna@worldentertainment.net Imperialcircus.com</p>	<p>Internationally, year-round</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Considered the best of all Chinese circuses, it has played an important role in cultural exchanges between China and other nations. Its excellent performances have been warmly welcomed and highly appreciated by audiences around the globe.</p>

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Lazer Vaudeville 631 Spruce St. Boulder, CO 80302-5017 303-413-8116 Lazervaudeville@earthlink.net lazervaudeville.com	USA (usually excluding the summer)	N/A	This circus works with schools and gives performances that are educational and entertaining. Performances are a mix of black light, juggling, lasers with magic, audience participation, acrobatics, slapstick comedy, and dance with object manipulation.
Les Colporteurs 66. rue Villiers de l'Isle Adam 75020 Paris France 33-0-491-425-080 colporteurs.fdp@wanadoo.fr		N/A	Performers include traveling dancers, illusionists, and air musicians. They create a spectacle that is altogether circus, theater, dance, and magic.
New Shanghai Circus 645 State Hwy. 165 Branson, MO 65616 417-334-8781 info@nscc.biz acrobatsofchina.com	USA, Europe, and Asia, with a permanent venue in Branson, Mo., at the MGH Performing Arts Center	No	This circus offers breath-taking feats of strength, endurance, flexibility, balance, contortion, and magic. In the spring of 1999, the circus was invited to the New Victory Theater in New York for 28 performances, which were all "Sold Out on Broadway!"
Russian American Kids Circus The Brad Simon Organization, Inc. 122 E. 57th St. New York, NY 10022 212-980-5920, ext. 122 212-730-2132 barbara@bsoinc.com rakidscircus.org	Internationally, year-round	Yes	This is a fully staged professional circus whose stars happen to be children between the ages of 6 and 18. These artists fill the stage with a blur of spangles, dazzling audiences with soaring acrobatics, synchronized unicycling, expert juggling, daring aerial feats, and precision balancing.
7 Fingers Les 7 doigts de la main 3506, ave. Laval Montréal H2X 3C8 Québec Canada 514-521-4477 info@les7doigtsdelamain.com les7doigtsdelamain.com	Europe, Canada, and large venues in the USA	N/A	The joyous, surrealistic universe of 7 Fingers is filled with the beauty of awe-inspiring aerialists, the startling precision of amazing jugglers, the breath-taking exploits of graceful acrobats, and the wit and humor of seven young international circus performers.
Swamp Circus Theatre 19 Wansfell Rd. Sheffield South Yorkshire S4 8BE England 44-0-114-256-0962 info@swampcircus.com swampcircus.com	Internationally	Yes	This is an all-human circus theater with an environmentally flavored artistic direction, a commitment to arts in the community, and a taste for adventure. Work is characterized by a unique blend of innovative, high-energy circus theater, live music, and ecological themes. Projects range from community-centered workshops to world-class big top touring extravaganzas.