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## MUSIC & COMEDY

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### MUSIC SHOWCASE

OLGA SALAMANCA BAND

PRAXIS ROKS

AIREENE ESPIRITU

### COMEDY NIGHT

KEVIN CAMIA TAPAN TRIVEDI

ALI WONG EDWIN LI

SAMSON KOLETGAR

CHERRY NGUYEN-HUBRIS

SEPTEMBER

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Join us for an eclectic night of hip-hop, indie rock, and pop music from up and coming Bay Area stars including Aireene Espiritu, the Olga Salamanca Band and Praxis Roks. Emceed by Jason Mateo.

**Aireene Espiritu** is a singer/songwriter whose music is inspired by rhythms and melodies of traditional roots, jazz and blues patterns; folk and bluegrass pickings; and inspirations from gospel and spirituals. Her lyrics portray human beings being human, stories from ghosts and the living, and identities of cultures within cultures.

A gem of the San Francisco underground music scene, **Olga Salamanca** was recently a finalist in the U.S. West Coast bracket of the international Emergenza Music Festival. Olga and her band have performed at venues such as The Great American Music Hall, Elbo Room, 12 Galaxies, Red Devil Lounge, and Tongue and Groove. Olga's debut album, *Pale Light*, features songs and lyrics that resonate. Olga and her current band have developed a harder-edged sound, with a powerful, driving, and infectious groove. For more information please visit [www.olgazone.com](http://www.olgazone.com).

"Praxis" is the term used to describe the application of theory into action. This idea is at the epicenter of the **Praxis Roks Collective**. This collection of MCs has formed with the understanding that Hip Hop, particularly the element of Emceeing, can be used as an educative tool. The fusion of education and Hip Hop creates an alternative method in engaging communities in dialogue about any personal, local and global issues. Keeping in line with the theme of applied theory, Praxis Roks also has the capacity to provide workshops on the "power of voice" and the various ways of using that power to communicate. This collective consists of educators, students, and organizers who have backgrounds in education and community involvement.

Raise the roof and laugh out loud at APAture's exclusive night of stand-up comedy with Kevin Camia, Samson Koletkar, Edwin Li, Cherry Nguyen-Hubris, Tapan Trivedi, Ali Wong and more. Emceed by Samantha Chause.

**Kevin Camia** is a stand up comic who loves to perform. He has performed around the country and in the Philippines and Hong Kong, and is a local favorite in the San Francisco Bay Area. He's a regular at Bay Area comedy venues like Punchline Comedy Club and Cobb's. Kevin's comedy is a unique blend of dry wit, storytelling and social satire. He does draw from his own experiences as a Filipino American but will write wherever his mind takes him.

Popularly known among fellow comics as the Indian Seinfeld, **Samson Koletkar's** comedic style is a blend of personal experiences and observations with an Indian touch. Samson was a 2006 Semi-Finalist at the Rooster T. Feathers Comedy Competition.

**Cherry Nguyen-Hubris** is a 1.5 generation Vietnamese American from the cold hard streets of San Jose. Born and raised in California, she performs stand-up comedy in the Bay Area and is actively involved in the Asian American community. As a full-time graduate student who writes and produces plays and films, she is an expert on crying alone in dark corners. "I heart San Jose." [www.cherrynguyenhubris.com](http://www.cherrynguyenhubris.com)

**Tapan Trivedi** grew up in India and came to America when he was 22. Besides blondes and redheads, he discovered standup comedy. Pushed at the insistence of his friends, he went up onstage at the celebrated Houston Laff Stop open mic. Addicted to laughter, he kept plugging on till he was a finalist in the Funniest Person in Houston Competition. Constantly on the road winning audiences with his brilliant writing and hilarious observations of life in the USA as an East Indian immigrant, he still finds time for television commercials, radio performances, and brief movie performances.

In her teddy bear buns, Adidas jacket and baggy pants, **Ali Wong** disarms the audience, before complaining about her vagina getting dusty and having to masturbate with a swiffer. Known in the stand-up community as "the woman who has been fuckin' shit up," Ali Wong has attracted a large fan base that has praised her comedy as "fresh, empowering, and fucking hilarious." Visit [www.ALIWONG.com](http://www.ALIWONG.com)

KEARNY STREET WORKSHOP  
BOTH SHOWS START AT 7:30PM  
\$10-\$20 SLIDING SCALE  
[www.kearnystreet.org](http://www.kearnystreet.org)

LOCATION

Make-Out Room  
3225 22ND ST  
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