

## Pitecus Comes to the USA

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From Thursday, October 13th to Sunday, October 16th, the popular Italian play Pitecus will be performed at La MaMa theater on Manhattan's Lower East Side.

[Pitecus](#) [2] is a crowd favorite in the underground Italian art scene and is usually shown at the [Teatro Vascello](#) [3] in Rome. The experimental theater is known for having the most creative and provocative independent Italian artists and providing a platform for their ideas to take form. It is no surprise why it's the home of Pitecus and its talented creators Antonio Rezza and Flavia Mastrella, or better known as the powerhouse duo [RezzaMastrella](#) [4] who have been working together since 1987. It is only fitting that [La MaMa](#) [5] will be hosting the play during its time in New York City, given that it is a space that encourages risk-takers and pure innovation.

This special event was organized by [Umanism](#) [6] and its Artistic Director Valeria Orani who works to promote Italian artists in New York. The play has been shown in theaters across Italy, Europe and Russia but for the first time ever, American audiences will have opportunity to experience the magic that is RezzaMastrella. They have received the Francesca Alinovi Award in 2007 and the Ubu Prize in 2013 for other works but in Pitecus, the pair aims to analyze the relationship between man and his perversions as well as play along the fine line between normality and the absurd. It deals with people of all ages, different personalities and the inner turmoil they struggle with.

Please go visit La MaMa theater this weekend if you want to appreciate contemporary Italian artistry at its peak. \$20 tickets will be available as well as discounted tickets for students and seniors. It sure is a steal for what you'll be getting in return!



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