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Who is Johnny Hage (Estroubia)

Johnny Hage, known professionally as 'Estroubia,' is a Lebanese-Canadian comedian, producer, and actor based in Montreal, Canada. He moved to Montreal in the fall of 2015 and has since become a pivotal figure in the city's Arab cultural scene. Johnny is known for his unique comedic style that blends social and political commentary with philosophy, offering a distinct perspective on the Arab diaspora experience. Before his full-time comedy career, he worked as an event planner at the American University of Beirut and was involved in social activism. In 2018, he founded the Abjad Howse collective in Montreal, a group of artists from Arab origins who collaborated on various concept events until 2022. In the spring of 2022, he took a groundbreaking step by co-founding Kawalees, the first Arabic Cultural Cabaret in Montreal, where he is a regular performer. He is currently touring his one-hour stand-up comedy special in Arabic, titled "Into Eh into La2," which reflects his satirical take on life and social issues.

Achievements of Johnny Hage (Estroubia)

Johnny Hage co-founded Kawalees in the spring of 2022, establishing the first Arabic Cultural Cabaret in Montreal. This venture provides a vital platform for Arab artists and local talents to showcase their work, becoming a significant cultural hub for the Arab community in the city. In 2018, he founded the Abjad Howse collective, an artistic group for artists of Arab origin living in Montreal. For four years, the collective produced a variety of unique concept events and creative projects, enriching the local cultural landscape.

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