

MONTRÉAL SKETCHFEST

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LADYFEST

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM
THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Ladyfest Montreal is a celebration of funny people. Born out of a desire to showcase the hilarious and talented female comedians in Montreal and beyond. In two short years our festival has grown into a week-long comedy love-in. Ladyfest brings together stand-up comics, improvisers, sketch comedians, and storytellers ready to take you by storm! One love, no jerks.

Featuring:

Tita Collective (Toronto)
Alo Azimov (Montreal)
Pegasus (New York)
Ricky (Montreal)

Hosted by Nightmare Slags



THE SKETCHERSONS

SATURDAY MAY 4TH, 10PM
THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

The Sketchersons, based in Toronto, Ontario, are winners of the 2007 Canadian Comedy Award for best Sketch Troupe. They have performed across Canada and the United States, including at the 2005 and 2006 Montreal Fringe Festivals, the 2006 New York Fringe Festival, the 2008 Just For Laughs Sketch Comedy Gala in Toronto, the 2009 Chicago Sketch Comedy Festival, and at the 2012 JFL42 Festival. Members of the troupe are also active in Toronto's comedy scene and can be seen at various shows around the city including Laugh Sabbath, The Last Comedy Show and Projectproject amongst others.



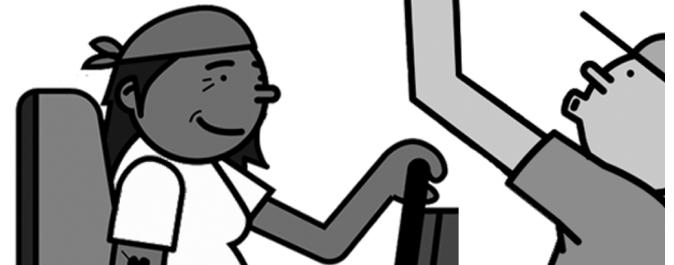
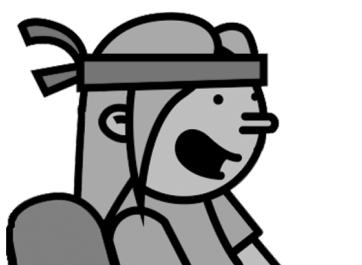
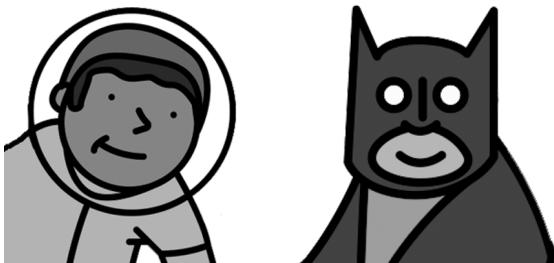
BEST OF THE FEST + FESTIVAL AWARDS SHOW

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 10:30PM
THEATRE SAINTE CATHERINE

10 of the festival's top troupes perform one sketch each in this rapid fire explosion of comedy. Sells out every year - you're going to want to get your tickets in advance.

LINEUP TO BE ANNOUNCED





SUNDAY NIGHT IMPROV

SUNDAY MAY 5TH, 7PM
THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Montreal's longest running improv show features some of Montreal's best improvisers and stand up comedians, special guests from all parts of the globe, and the best up and coming improvisers from our free workshop series.

This special Montreal Sketchfest edition of Sunday Night Improv features artists from the fest!



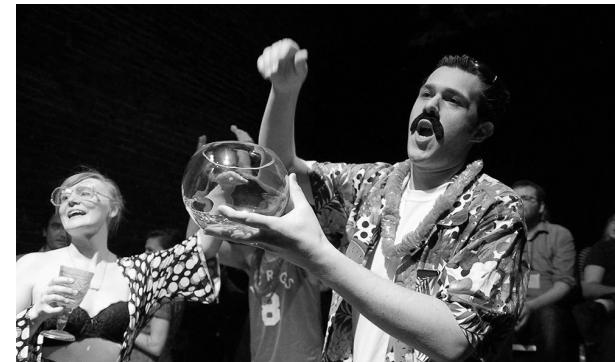
THE SKETCH REPUBLIC

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 10PM
MONTREAL IMPROV

The Sketch Republic: Comedy Key Party
5 comedy couples are invited to switch partners for one night only. The audience will be treated to 10 minutes of new sketch from 5 new duos!
Local swinger couple

Jacob Greco & Lise Vigneault

host a seductive soirée of comedy mix and match. The vibe is sensual, the people are beautiful, the comedy is provocative and the drinks are flowing - anything can happen!



LES LUNDIS D'IMPRO

LUNDI LE 7 MAI, 20H
THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Ce spectacle d'improvisation place à tour de rôle des improvisateurs expérimentés dans la chaise du metteur en scène pour vous montrer ce dont ils sont capables! Devant vos yeux, ils créent et dirigent une histoire inventée de toute pièce! C'est vous, le public, qui jugerez la scène et chaque joueur essaiera d'en remporter le plus possible tout au long de la soirée. Les metteurs en scène récompensés n'auront rien à craindre, mais ceux qui ne le sont pas seront mis au défi! Soyez au rendez-vous!



WOULD SKETCH BY ANY OTHER NAME STILL MAKE AS MANY PEOPLE LAUGH? SUCK AS HARD? BE AS DUMB? BREAK AS MANY HEARTS WITH TOO MUCH JOY?

A laugh is like a fingerprint - unique. Some are like a whisper and some bring down walls. Some sound like a cat barfing or a posh grandma sneezing or a yell or a kiss. Some laughs feel like home, others make everyone uncomfortable, others become a favourite memory that you hold in your mind on your deathbed.

Qui n'aime pas ça se retrouver dans une grande salle pleine de beau monde et de reconnaître exactement qui s'y trouve aussi juste de par leur fou rire. Qui n'aime pas ça rire des bons temps qu'on vit, ou des mauvais temps qui nous font rire quand même malgré tout.

C'est-tu pas ça le sketch au fin fond de tout? Rire des mauvais temps autant que des bons?

On dit que même s'ils ne respirent pas encore, les bébés in utero peuvent «rire». Ils dansent et rient et sourient quand ils entendent les voix et les rires des gens qu'ils reconnaissent de l'intérieur.

When you think about it, that's Montreal Sketchfest. We're a bunch of dumb babies who don't know anything but we laugh and party and dance and can't wait to spend these fabulous 10 days of sketch comedy saturnalia and ding-dongedness together.

We've all just laugh-hustled our way into this beautiful festival and are now a family. Welcome, and congratulations.

GROS BISOUS ET BON SKETCH,
Your Mom(tré)al Sketchfest) xo



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\$15 / SPECTACLE

\$20 / DAY PASS

\$65 / FEST PASS



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**Fier d'être dans le décor
du Théâtre Ste-Catherine
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TROUPES



ALO AZIMOV CONCRUSSION LIFE (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Alo Azimov is a non-binary comedian & storyteller (they/them), who performs weird and thoughtful character sketches that are gender identity-affirming, healing and silly. They have performed at The Fringe Festival, OFF-JFL, Ladyfest, Revolution They Wrote, Slut Island, Montreal pride and Montreal Sketchfest.



ANTHONY ASSAF (MONTREAL)

THURSDAY MAY 2ND, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Anthony Assaf is a comedian who's been performing mostly improv for 4 years. He's also the host of the improv podcast Making It Up, where he invites his guests to create characters and join him for zany conversations.



BOCAL ET CONFESSIONS (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 22H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Trois personnes se retrouvent sur un canapé gris de la rue Dorion. Le Ricard coule à flot et les blagounettes fusent comme des astéroïdes frôlant la station spatiale internationale un soir de déneigement. Ma bagnole se fera t-elle remorquée? Mythe ou réalité l'avenir nous le dira.



BOX OF BEES (MONTREAL)

TUESDAY MAY 7TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Box of Bees is a Montreal based troupe. With backgrounds in theatre, stand up comedy, and writing, the troupe is an eclectic and diverse group who thoroughly enjoys working together and making each other (and ideally the audience) laugh.



BRING YOUR OWN JUICE (MONTREAL)

THURSDAY MAY 2ND, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

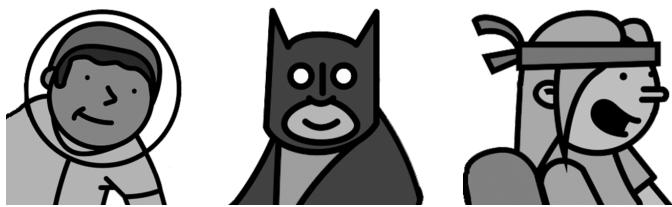
Bring Your Own Juice is McGill's best and only sketch comedy group! Made up of improvisers, standup comedians and friends from all across North America, BYOJ is one goofy lil crew. Members have gone on to: write for Reductress, work for NPR, go to grad school in New Jersey. We are very proud!



BROWN & ASS & SONS (TORONTO)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Brown & Ass & Sons specialize in legal sketch representation and litigation. We employ cutting edge legal techniques including surprise character witnesses, long-winded celebrity impression closing statements & incontrovertible sketch video evidence. We will get you off for murder by killing the courtroom with laughter.



TROUPES



CAMERON WYLLIE (TORONTO)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Cameron Wyllie is a regular ol' ding dong who happens to love sketch comedy. He loves it so much that he's performed it for over a decade, picking up multiple awards along the way and playing festivals across North America.

CLASSIC CONTENT! WITH VANCE GILLIS & FRIENDS (TORONTO)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Vance Gillis is a former child who has mostly grown now and does improv and sketch. Some of the internet content he craves includes: true crime, drumstick recipes and dog videos. Questions about the show? Message him on LinkedIn.



COME THRU KWEENS (AJAX)

THURSDAY MAY 2ND, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Come Thru Kweens is a solo (ish) show from the brain of Ajahnis Charley that is as close to a Beyoncé concert as a sketch show can get. This troupe makes the exploration of marginalized voices more spectacular than a Kanye West performance with a show that's 50% sketch, 50% concert and 100% fire emoji. Directed by Kirsten Rasmussen.



CRYING ALONE IN THE SHOWER (PHILADELPHIA)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Crying Alone In The Shower, a collaboration between Philly pals Julia Hudson and Brian Craig, is an outlet for deeply personal material examining fear and anxiety, which culminates into something close to catharsis. They're going through some stuff.



DAMSEL WASHINGTON (MONTREAL)

TUESDAY MAY 7TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

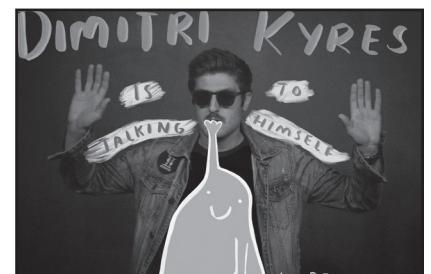
Both neurotic introverts and comedy vets, Sehar Manji & Jess Fildes emerge from the dark catacombs they call home for a rambunctious night of sketch comedy. They're improvisers, actors and writers in Montreal and perform regularly at Montreal Improv.



DIMITRI KYRES (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Dimitri Kyres' comedy explores cinematic storytelling told through the lens of the everyday man. Take Montreal's charm, slap an 80's soundtrack on it and you've got his new show Dimitri Kyres Talks to Himself. It's going to be one hell of a ride.



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EMERY FINE (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Emery Fine is a writer and sketch comedian from Montreal. He likes to write sketches and stories about dishwashers, billionaires, clowns, and other Montreal things.



EMMA OVERTON'S NASTY BOYS (MONTREAL)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

A super group of former members from Sorry Sweetie and The Big Backwards, Emma Overton's Nasty Boys are committed to bringing you bespoke, artisanal, farm fresh sketches that leave you glued to the tracks, tied to your seat and screaming for more.



EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Employees of the Year is comprised of platonic life partners Emelia Hellman and Ross Wegscheider. They are a self described shitstorm of dance, sketch, theatre and adorableness. They are excited to return to the Montreal Sketchfest stage after winning Best Local Troupe at the 2018 Montreal Sketchfest.



FUSION COMEDY (TORONTO)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

FUSION is a super team of the best up and coming stand-ups, improvisers, and writers in Toronto. Spot lighting material from a culturally diverse and LGBTQ+ perspective, FUSION showcases daring, original, and brilliantly colourful sketch comedy.



GOOD GAME (LONDON)

SATURDAY MAY 4TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

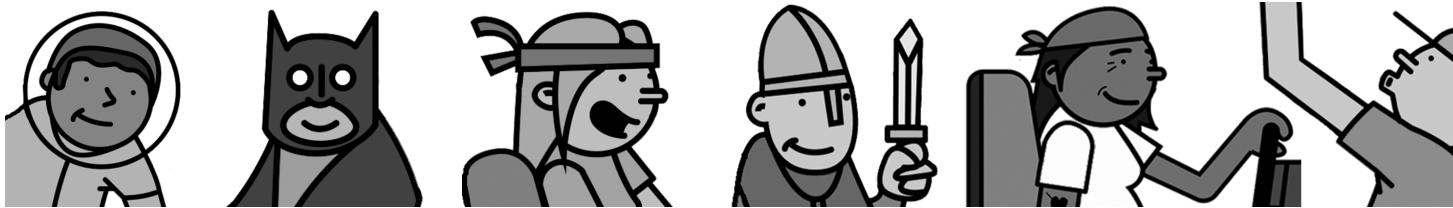
Good Game are 3 silly boys from London Ontario now performing in Toronto and they're really silly lemme tell ya! But that's what doing 12 years of comedy will do to you! 12 years in the biz is like 100 years in people years! I should know! I'm a 120-year-old man!



HANIMAL (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Hannah and Eliazer recently performed together at MPROV, Montreal's Bilingual Improv Festival, with their team Pisco Sour, and can both be found regularly on stage at the Montreal Improv Theatre. After over a year of working together, the duo decided it was high time to put their skills to the test and try out some sketch, and thus HANIMAL was born.



TROUPES

HERBEAVER (TORONTO)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Herbeaver was formed in 2017 by Heather Gallant, Mallory Morgan, and Katie Preston. Over the last year, Herbeaver has busted into the Toronto comedy scene, guns-a-blazin', with their monthly show Bush Party at Toronto's beloved Comedy Bar.

With 45 minutes of new sketches every single month, these ladies know how to keep their audience on their toes.



HOT RAW FIRE (MONTREAL)

SATURDAY MAY 4TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

HOT RAW FIRE is 5 CEOs who've synergized a multinational conglomerate of high-end sketch troupes and surpassed their Q1 haha quotas by 19,000% so WATCH OUT Q4. They facilitate executive joke forecasting with a focus on leveraging their diverse laugh bundle, collaborating stakeholder bandwidth across their LOL startups, and growing the book of their skit businesses.



INSIDE SCOOP (MONTREAL)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Inside Scoop are Kadi D. and Sara Meleika. Performers with Colour Outside the Lines, in Ladyfest Montreal, and Inclusion Coordinators at Montreal Improv, Kadi and Sara are uniting again through the magic of sketch comedy! With a sprinkle of spunk, Inside Scoop are sure to warm up your funny bone like a Hot Fudge Sundae morning.



JON BLAIR (TORONTO)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Nobody knows where Jon Blair goes in the year that passes between Sketchfests. The uncharted seas? A hidden grave? Toronto? We only know he always returns with a curious new collection of solo sketch comedy, twisted tales and outlandish characters!



JOVANI! (TORONTO)

SATURDAY MAY 4TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

JOVANI! is drama. JOVANI! is sex. JOVANI! is the name of the fashion designer that intoxicated Real Housewife Dorinda Medley screamed at Countess Luann during her post-rehab cabaret show, in an effort to remind her that she was the one who hooked her up with free dresses. That pretty much sums up this pop culture obsessed sketch duo.



KATE HAMMER (MONTREAL)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Kate Hammer is the kind of sketch comedian that will make you rip off your arms and slap yourself in the face to stop laughing. She lives for emotional comedy, and delivers quirky and always feminist characters. XX



MONTRÉAL SKETCHFEST

SCHEDULE / HORAIRES MAY 2 - 11

TICKETS/BILLETS: \$15 @ MONTREALSKETCHFEST.COM

DAY PASS/PASSE DE JOUR: \$20 AT THE DOOR/A LA PORTE

THURSDAY 5/2 ▶

7PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE

OPENING NIGHT

HOSTS: SOLID BRONZE
SANDI ARMSTRONG &
HEIDI LYNNE WEEKS

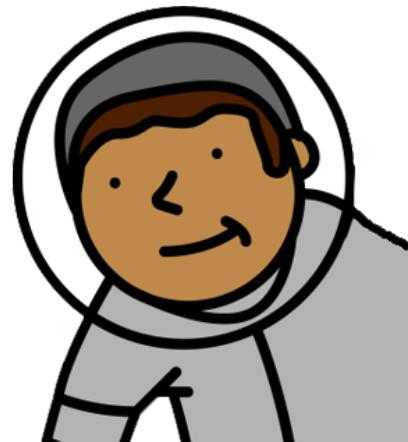
Bring Your Own Juice (MTL)
Anthony Assaf (MTL)
Come Thru Kweens (TO)
speedboiz TM (MTL)

SATURDAY 5/4 ▶

8PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE

HOST: ALIYA KANANI

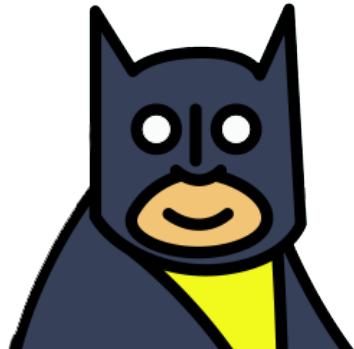
JOVANI! (TO)
Good Game (TO)
HOT RAW FIRE (MTL)



SUNDAY 5/5 ▶

5PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
IMPROV WORKSHOP
FREE

7PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
SUNDAY NIGHT IMPROV



THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE 264 Sainte Catherine Street East

MONTREAL IMPROV 3697 St-Laurent Boulevard

VENDREDI 5/3 ▶

20H THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE

FRANCO-SKETCH

HOST: MA TANTE JEANNINE

Les Piles-Poils (MTL)
Marine et Marie (MTL)
Les Experts (MTL)

22H THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE

FRANCO-SKETCH

HOST: MATHIEU BEAUSEJOUR

Bocal et Confessions (MTL)
Le collectif de l'abecedaire (MTL)
Les SketchTapes (MTL)

10PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE

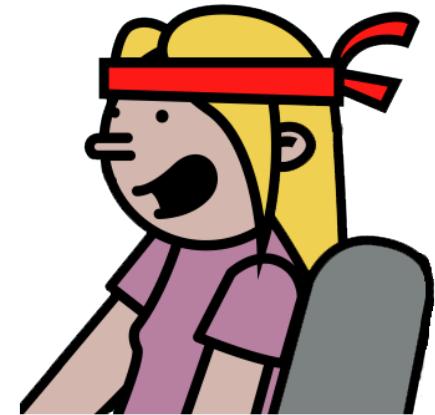
THE SKETCHERSONS (TO)
WITH HOST TRAWNNA WINTOUR (MTL)
AND MUSICAL GUEST AWWFUL (MTL)



LUNDI 5/6 ▶

17H THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
ATELIER D'IMPRO
GRATUIT

20H THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
LES LUNDIS D'IMPRO



TUESDAY 5/7 ▶

8PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
HOST: RENA TAYLOR

Box of Bees (MTL)
Marcie's Cubicle (MTL)
Damsel Washington (MTL)



THURSDAY 5/9 ▶

8PM MONTREAL
IMPROV
HOST: SHIRLEY WHALEN

Laura Flynn (MTL)
Palcoholics (TO)
Kate Hammer (MTL)
Li'l RasGALS (TO)

10PM MONTREAL
IMPROV
THE SKETCH REPUBLIC
PRESENTS: THE KEY PARTY
HOSTED BY:
LISE VIGNEAULT & JACOB GRECO
Lineup TBA

8PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
HOST: MARC HALLWORTH

Low Rise Queens (TO)
Cameron Wyllie (TO)
Emma Overton's Nasty Boys (MTL)



10PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
HOST: TRAVIS CANNON

Herbeaver (TO)
SKA BAND (MTL)
Vest of Friends (TO)



FRIDAY 5/10 ▶

8PM MONTREAL
IMPROV
HOST: EMERY FINE

Noah Maloney (TO)
Brown & Ass & Sons (MTL)
The Templeton Philharmonic (TO)

10PM MONTREAL
IMPROV
HOST: KATE HAMMER

Hanimal (MTL)
My Chemical Bromance (TO)
FUSION Comedy (TO)
Dimitri Kyres (MTL)

8PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
HOST: NIGHTMARE SLAGS

Ricky (MTL)
Pegasus (NYC/BK)
Alo Azimov: Concrusshion (MTL)
Tita Collective (TO)

10PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
HOST: KADI DIOP

Crying Alone In The Shower (PHIL)
Lady Mary & the Marquis
Von Shyzer (TO)
Employees of the Year (MTL)
Never Sad (NYC)

SATURDAY 5/11 ▶

8PM MONTREAL
IMPROV
HOST: MARTHA GRAHAM

Classic Content! with Vance Gillis & Friends (MTL)
Soda Fountain (VAN)
Inside Scoop (MTL)



8PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
HOST: MELINA MARIA
TRIMARCHI

Ma tante Jeannine (MTL)
Marv n' Berry (EDM)
Jon Blair (TO)
SOLID BRONZE (MTL)

10PM THEATRE
SAINTE-CATHERINE
BEST OF THE FEST

LINE-UP TBA
AWARDS SHOW
& FREE WILLY
DANCE PARTY



TROUPES



LADY MARY AND THE MARQUIS VAN SHYZER (TORONTO)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Aristocratic cabaret superduo Lady Mary and the Marquis van Shyzer bring their sophisticated musical virtuosity to the uncoiffed masses.



LAURA FLYNN (MONTREAL)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Laura loves character work, improvisation, story-telling, and singing. Her first solo show, Get Your Shuffle On, was nominated for the Mainline Creativity Award at the 2016 St-Ambroise Montreal Fringe. Laura loves exploring the universal in the ordinary.



LE COLLECTIF DE L'ABECEDAIRE (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 22H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

L'Abécédaire est un regroupement de comédiens dont le but est, depuis 2016, de créer des sketchs inédits et de présenter des soirées mensuelles de théâtre comique dont les thèmes suivent les lettres de l'alphabet.



LE MONDE DE MA TANTE JEANNINE (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 20H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE - animatrice

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Unique et attachante, Ma tante Jeannine a tellement d'histoires à raconter! Que ce soit pour vous parler de ses souvenirs de jeunesse à Montréal, de l'histoire de son quartier ou encore de la vie quotidienne dans son temps, elle est intarissable!

LES EXPERTS



MAXIME VACHÉ

JONATHAN LABBÉ

LES EXPERTS (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 20H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Ils sont experts en tout et ont un avis sur tout et surtout un avis.

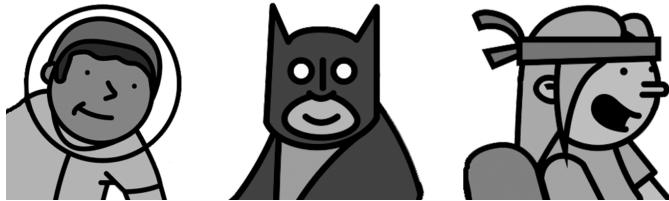
Les experts existent depuis la nuit des temps et sont souvent accoudés au bout d'un comptoir.



LES PILES-POILS (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 20H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Les Piles-Poils sont trois gars qui oeuvrent dans le sketch sur le web et sur scène. Influencés par l'absurde, les émissions de télé et la culture des années 80-90, ils enchainent différents numéros avec des personnages éclatés.



LES SKETCHTAPES (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 22H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Gros fans de l'humour Burlesque / Vaudeville, Les SketchTapes sont tous des comédiens issus du milieu de l'impro. Leurs spectacles sont composés d'une suite de sketchs parfois grivois, parfois absurdes, souvent loufoques et toujours bon enfant. Leur seul point commun? Ils n'ont jamais été écrits! Ils improvisent sans cesse leurs répliques autour de canevas qui eux, sont travaillés. Alors place au risque... calculé!



Li'L RASGALS (TORONTO)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Together Chelsea Larkin and Susannah Kiernan form sketch duo "Li'L RasGALS", and one regular sized human (almost). Combined they have over 20 years of improv and sketch experience. Together have been nominated for Now Magazine's Best Sketch Troupe and winners of the 2019 Toronto Sketchfest Sketchiest Sketch Troupe.



LOW RISE QUEENS (TORONTO)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Low Rise Queens are three young ladies who have all been described as "So random!" by a high school classmate. These Queens present a high energy, character driven show with a little music and a lot of friendship. So get comfortable in your low rise jeans and watch Low Rise Queens make magic.



MARCIÉ'S CUBICLE (MONTREAL)

TUESDAY MAY 7TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

In Marcie's Cubicle three workers transgress, energies abound, bold and bizarre characters keep the gals sane. The troupe was founded by Duncan Barile, Stevie Knauss, and Stephen Lawrence in Montreal late in 2018.



MARINE ET MARIE (MONTREAL)

VENDREDI LE 3 MAI, 20H @ THÉÂTRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Duo comique pas reposant : deux soeurs colorées, maladroites et intenses. Marine et son caractère épineux, Marie candide et joviale. Des "filles de région" fraîchement débarquées en ville qui font leur possible. Ça tourne rarement rond.



MARTHA GRAHAM (MONTREAL)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Martha is a local sketch and improv comedian. With her sketch and improv troupe, Li'l Strawberry Bitch, she has performed in The Montreal Sketchfest, Big Pond Improv Festival (VT) and Big City Improv Festival (TO). Martha has also appeared in Off-JFL, JFL42 (TO), MPROV, The Montreal Fringe Festival and Ladyfest.



TROUPES



MARV N' BERRY (EDMONTON)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Marv n' Berry is an Edmontonian sketch comedy posse consisting of Mike Robertson, Chris Borger, Sam Stralak, Quinn Contini, and Nikki Hulowski, with the newest addition of their Technical Director, Kiidra Duhault. All members are also improvisors in Edmonton Alberta's Rapid Fire Theatre ensemble.



MRS. THIMBLES (MONTREAL)

WEDNESDAY MAY 8TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Mrs. Thimbles is the oldest living woman in Montreal, yet has never left a three block radius of where she grew up. She loves to have guests for tea (a hot pot of whiskey and Tabasco). Much like children hidden under a trench coat, under Mrs. Thimbles matching tracksuit hides sketch troupe Laura Buchanan, Jason Grimmer, and David Kaufman.



MY CHEMICAL BROMANCE (TORONTO)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 10PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

My Chemical Bromance is character based sketch. Three teen drama nerds from Barrie, Ontario perform "improv" and other wacky a Capella musical pieces. A high energy, audience interactive show with a whole lot of heart.



NIGHTMARE SLAGS (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Two ordinary ladies being totally ordinary and just going about their day. Nothing special to see here.



NOAH MALONEY (TORONTO)

TUESDAY MAY 7TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

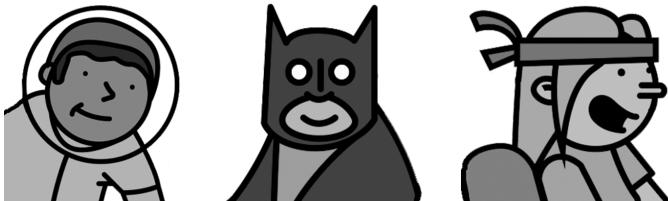
Noah Maloney is a solo performer who loves fun! Characters + music + performance art + comedy + chugging any liquid he wants = a great time! His main goal is to create an experience with each audience where everyone feels welcome and get to be a part of something exciting because that's FUN!



NOTORIOUS (TORONTO)

WEDNESDAY MAY 8TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

NOTORIOUS is Canada's premiere hip hop comedy act. Our critically acclaimed sketch revue Tinder on the Toilet (and other bad ideas) is a dope rap concert and a comedy show!



PALCOHOLICS (TORONTO)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Palcoholics are Matt Nadeau and Aaron Peever, a couple neat best friends who use sketches to piss each other off on stage and give audiences a good time. A bit of sketch, a bit of Improv, kinda drunk, kinda funny.

TROUPES



PEGASUS (BROOKLYN)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Amanda Ariel "Peggy" Xeller is a visceral, weird, sick, super silly, and, of course, especially DUMDUMDUM comedian. Her work has been described as raw performative debauchery. She is a little clown residing in Brooklyn who has competed in 3 comedy competitions and won all of them baby!



RICKY (MONTREAL)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Ricky is comprised of Montreal based comedians Nicky Fournier and Rena Taylor, two self-proclaimed weirdos with hearts of leather. Both theatrically trained performers, these character-driven comedians will introduce you to the person and concept of Ricky through their physical, odd, yet endearing sketch.



SKA BAND (MONTREAL)

TUESDAY MAY 9TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

These four wild animals were rescued from a tall tree and evolved into four of Montreal's most feral sketch performers.



SKETCH REPUBLIC PRESENTS: THE COMEDY KEY PARTY

TUESDAY MAY 9TH, 10PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Five comedy couples are invited to switch partners for one night only. The audience will be treated to 10 minutes of new sketch from 5 new duos! Local swinger couple Jacob Greco & Lise Vigneault host a seductive soirée of comedy mix and match. The vibe is sensual, the people are beautiful, the comedy is provocative and the drinks are flowing - anything can happen!



SODA FOUNTAIN (VANCOUVER)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

Graeme Achurch and Nathan Hare are Vancouver based comedians who combine tight comedic writing with off-the-rails energy.

TROUPES



SOLID BRONZE (MONTREAL)

SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Solid Bronze is Heidi Lynne Weeks, Maïté Sinave and Sandi Armstrong who are known around town as a fun time waiting to happen. After a long hiatus, Solid Bronze is back with their trademark 3rd place comedy and bronze medal Mom jokes. YOU WANNA LAUGH?! YA! YOU WANNA CRY?! UM...MAYBE! YOU WANNA PEE YOUR PANTS?! WELL TOO BAD, WE ALREADY DID! This. Is. Happening.



SPEEDBOIZ™ (MONTREAL)

THURSDAY MAY 2ND, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

speedboiz™ is comprised of medium level comedians Paul Naiman and Jacob Greco. The show will feature two grown men wearing sunglasses that are too small for their faces, fake moustaches, and long-johns. Keywords include: Ontario, speed shades, Shrek 2, trapeze, long-johns, Mandarin buffet.



THE SKETCHERSONS (TORONTO)

SATURDAY MAY 4TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

The Sketchersons are a multiple Canadian Comedy Award-nominated and winning troupe, who write and perform the weekly show Sunday Night Live at Toronto's Comedy Bar. Over their fifteen year history, the Sketchersons have featured some of the best upcoming comedic talent in the city. Find out more at sketchersons.com.



THE TEMPLETON PHILHARMONIC (TORONTO)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ MONTREAL IMPROV

The Templeton Philharmonic (winners of "Best Duo" at L.A. Comedy Festival, and "Producer's Pick" at TOsketchfest) are a sketch comedy duo comprised of Gwynne Phillips and Briana Templeton. Together, they write and perform original, surreal sketch comedy that is often peppered with stinging social commentary, and dead-pan interpretive dance.



TITA COLLECTIVE (TORONTO)

FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

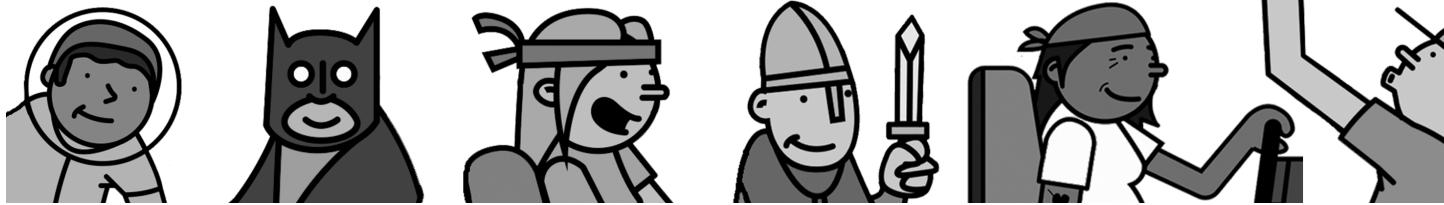
The Tita Collective is an all Filipina collective of multidisciplinary artists based in Toronto. Award-winning playwrights, comedians, musicians, dancers, theatre makers and actors, they tell their story, the narrative of the Filipinx diaspora, to the world. Recent winners of Toronto SketchFest 2019's Steamwhistle Producer's Pick.



UBER & KLONK (TORONTO)

WEDNESDAY MAY 8TH, 8PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Since graduating the Second City Conservatory, Uber & Klonk have gone on to be members of the Second City FamCo. & winners of the Billy Crystal Sketch Writing Award. Always self-deprecating & absurd, you can't help but root for these 20yo "sadgirls".



TROUPES

VEST OF FRIENDS (TORONTO)

THURSDAY MAY 9TH, 10PM @ THEATRE SAINTE-CATHERINE

Vest of Friends is made up of the vest-clad Marc Hallworth, Morgan George, and Evan Richardson. They were on Bite.ca's list of "Top 10 Canadian Sketch Troupes You Need To See Right Now" and are the winners of the Best-of-the-Fest Award at Toronto SketchFest and Montreal SketchFest.



AWARDS



GIANT PIECE OF BARK (AKA BEST OF THE FEST)

Previous winners: Tallboyz II Men (Toronto) 2018, Elephant Empire (Toronto) 2017, 2015, 2014, 2012, 2011, 2010, Get Some (Toronto) 2016, Vest of Friends (Toronto) 2015, Jape (Toronto)



MEILLEURE TROUPE FRANCO

Previous winners: Doggybag (Montreal) 2018, 2017, 2016



JUST FOR LAUGHS AWARD

Previous winners: Mark & Andy & Dave (Toronto) 2018, Kirsten Rasmussen (Toronto) 2017, Ladies & Gentlemen (Montreal) 2016, Peter N' Chris (Vancouver) 2015, Ladystache (Toronto) 2014



BEST LOCAL TROUPE - MTL

Previous winners: Employees of the Year 2018, HOT RAW FIRE, 2017, 2016, 2015, Ladies & Gentlemen, 2014.



BAG OF BEER (AKA BEST NEWCOMER)

Previous winners: Emma Overton's Nasty Boys (Montreal) 2018, Tallboyz II Men (Toronto) & Jon Blair (Toronto) 2017, Cousins (Montreal) & The Flat Earth (Philadelphia) 2016, Jess Fitzpatrick (Toronto) & Falcon Powder (Toronto) 2015, Marty Topps (Toronto) & Bridge & Tunnel (New York) 2014, Onassis (New York) 2013.



GRINDERS AWARD

Previous winners: HOT RAW FIRE (Montreal) 2018, Sketch Machina (Montreal) 2017, Vest of Friends (Toronto) 2012, Daryn McIntyre of The Sketchersons (Toronto) 2011



LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Previous winners: Ladystache (Toronto) 2015



PEN TO PAGE TO STAGE

SKETCH WORKSHOP by THE TEMPLETON PHILHARMONIC

**Saturday May 11th, 12-3pm
Theatre Sainte-Catherine, 264 rue Ste-Catherine E
\$30**

Description: Are you curious about how to take your sketch comedy writing to the next level? In this workshop, participants will learn handwry techniques for their sketch writing toolkits. They'll also gain some tried and true methods for turning the spark of an idea into a full fledged piece for the stage. They'll also learn how to sharpen and clarify their comedic voice in their writing. Over the course of the class, the group will turn comedic ideas into sketch comedy scripts, and present them on stage. How thrilling! This workshop is aimed at experienced scribblers, and brand new, tiny baby comedy writers alike.

Instructors: This course is taught by The Templeton Philharmonic (winners of "Best Duo" at the LA Comedy Festival, and "Producer's Pick" at TO Sketchfest). In addition to their sketch comedy work, Gwynne Phillips and Briana Templeton hold several writing credits including the hit immersive play AN EVENING IN JULY (SummerWorks Performance Festival), the audio series NONE OF OUR BUSINESS (Audible), THE IRRELEVANT SHOW (CBC Radio Canada), and TRUE DATING STORIES (CBC).

Email montrealsketchfest@gmail.com to reserve your spot!

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Thank you: Erin Hall, Isabelle Martin, Alain Mercieca, Sophia Salador, the good folks at Montreal Improv, and everyone else involved in this year's fest: artists, hosts, bar staff, partners, technicians, photographers, volunteers, we couldn't do it without you.

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RESPECT STATEMENT

We love this festival. We love that it brings together so many passionate people that live and breathe comedy – artists that are willing to travel distances for a solid hang and to let the good times roll.

This is why we want to take steps to ensure everyone feels welcome and is able to enjoy themselves.

Many of us have been aware of problematic behaviours that are happening in the comedy industry and in our communities for a long time now. Thank goodness we are finally at a point in time where harassment is being identified and addressed.

The following will not be tolerated in our spaces, under any circumstances:

Sexism - Racism - Homophobia - Queerphobia - Transphobia - Fatphobia - Ableism - Ageism - Anything else that attacks an individual and intentionally causes them discomfort or unhappiness

We will not accept anything less than total respect for our artists, audience members, volunteers and staff. Whether this be before a show, during a show, in a greenroom, at a party, or in a situation in any way related to Montréal Sketchfest.

We also wish to recognize that our community is constantly changing and evolving. Our aim is to offer an inclusive space for people that is free from harassment and disrespect.

Montréal Sketchfest pledges to respect and take care of its artists, volunteers, and audience members. We ask that everyone involved do the same!

DECLARATION DE RESPECT

On aime notre petit festival. On adore qu'il rassemble tellement de gens passionnés qui vivent et respirent l'humour et la comédie, des artistes qui voyagent à Montréal de partout pour traîner, jouer ensemble et passer du bon temps.

C'est exactement pour cette raison que nous voulons prendre certaines mesures afin de nous assurer que tout le monde se sente comme étant les bienvenu.e.s et que tous et toutes puissent paisiblement s'amuser.

Plusieurs d'entre nous sont au courant des comportements problématiques qui existent depuis longtemps dans l'industrie de l'humour et dans nos communautés. Heureusement, nous sommes enfin au point de pouvoir franchement identifier ces harcèlements, les cerner, et les aborder.

Les comportements suivants ne seront tolérés en aucun cas:

le sexism - le racisme - l'homophobie - la queerphobie - la transphobie - la grossophobie - le capacitisme - l'âgisme - n'importe quel autre comportement discriminatoire qui attaque un individu et/ou lui cause volontairement de l'inconfort ou de la peine.

Nous n'accepterons rien de moins qu'un respect total pour nos artistes, notre public, nos bénévoles, et nos employé.e.s. Que ce soit avant ou pendant un spectacle, dans un foyer d'artistes, à un party ou dans n'importe quelle autre situation qui a un lien avec le Montréal Sketchfest.

Nous voulons reconnaître que notre communauté est en période de changement et évolue constamment. Notre objectif est d'offrir un lieu de rassemblement inclusif, accueillant pour tous et toutes, exempt d'harcèlement et de manque de respect.

Montréal Sketchfest promet de respecter et de prendre soin de ses artistes, bénévoles, et public. Nous demandons à tous ceux et celles qui s'impliquent d'en faire autant!

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