

pittsburgh FRINGE

Performing Arts Festival
April 4-7 2019
Official Brochure

“Love & Language Barriers,” Acrylic on Found Wood,
By David C. Mueller @muellerlowlife



Welcome Everyone! The 2019 Pittsburgh Fringe is bigger and better than ever before. We made a lot of significant changes in this, our sixth year. It may be a bumpy ride with some turbulence in places, but we know you will notice some big improvements!

The most obvious change for 2019 is our move to the Bloomfield, Garfield, East Liberty and Friendship area. The Pittsburgh Fringe can now be found up and down Penn Avenue. We have been so encouraged by the way these communities have welcomed us with open arms.

That brings us to our next big change! Behind the scenes, the Pittsburgh Fringe has changed its structure to more closely resemble the original Fringe Festival, the Edinburgh Fringe. In previous years, the Pittsburgh Fringe ran all our own temporary theatre venues. This year, we are working with diverse partners who manage their own existing year-round venues and exciting temporary venues. This has made it possible to offer more shows in new spaces.

One thing has not changed. This is a true DIY festival. We have no corporate or foundation sponsors. (Though if you are looking to throw some money at the arts, send us an email)! The Pittsburgh Fringe is decentralized, democratic, and open. This is theater at its most unfiltered. The venues are small, the performances are intimate, but the ideas are often big and daring. It is a place for new works, new voices, small shows, innovation, risk-taking and experimentation. It works because performers, venues, and community members make it work. I am thankful for those who help keep our “little festival that could” alive and kicking year after year.

Not only is the fringe inclusive for performers and creatives, but this festival allows audiences to make their own choices, and to curate their own festival while being part of a worldwide cultural phenomenon. With over 105 performances of 49 unique shows, you have plenty of shows to choose from when creating your own personal festival experience.

See you at a show!

Nela Batchelder

Executive Director, Pittsburgh Fringe





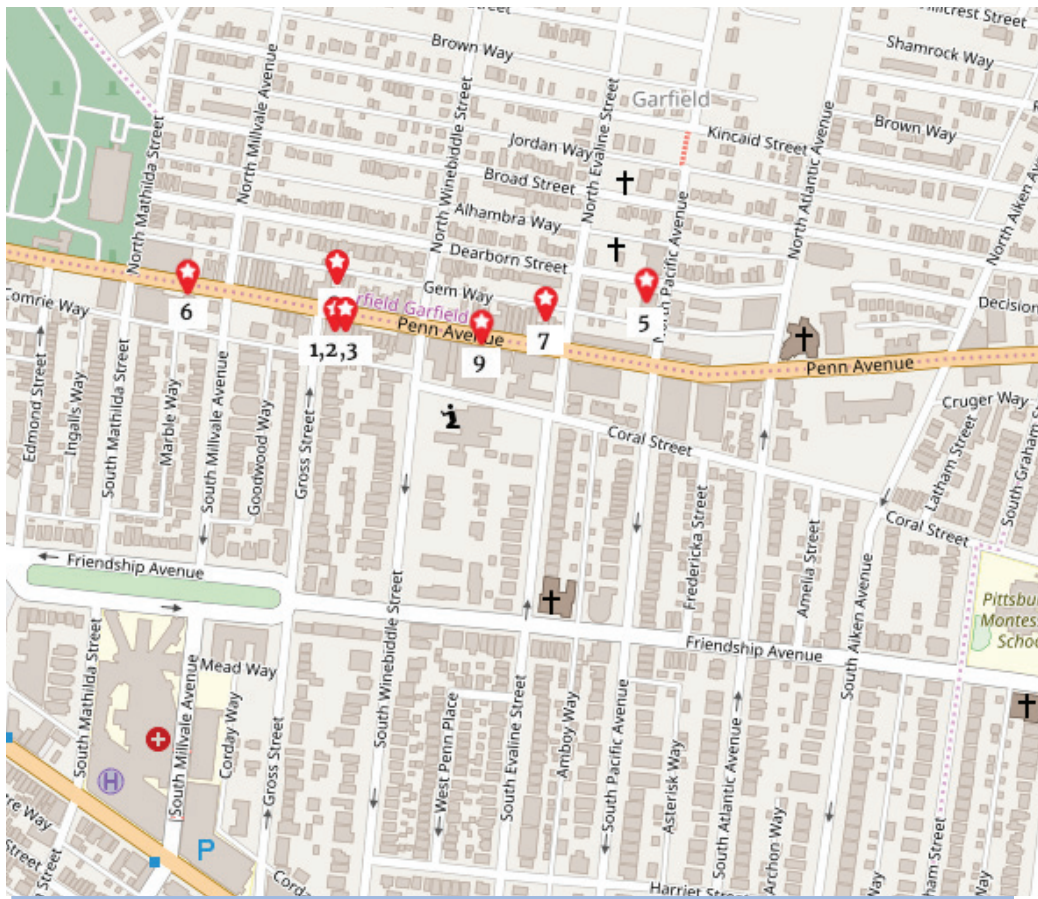
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Venues for Pittsburgh Fringe 2019

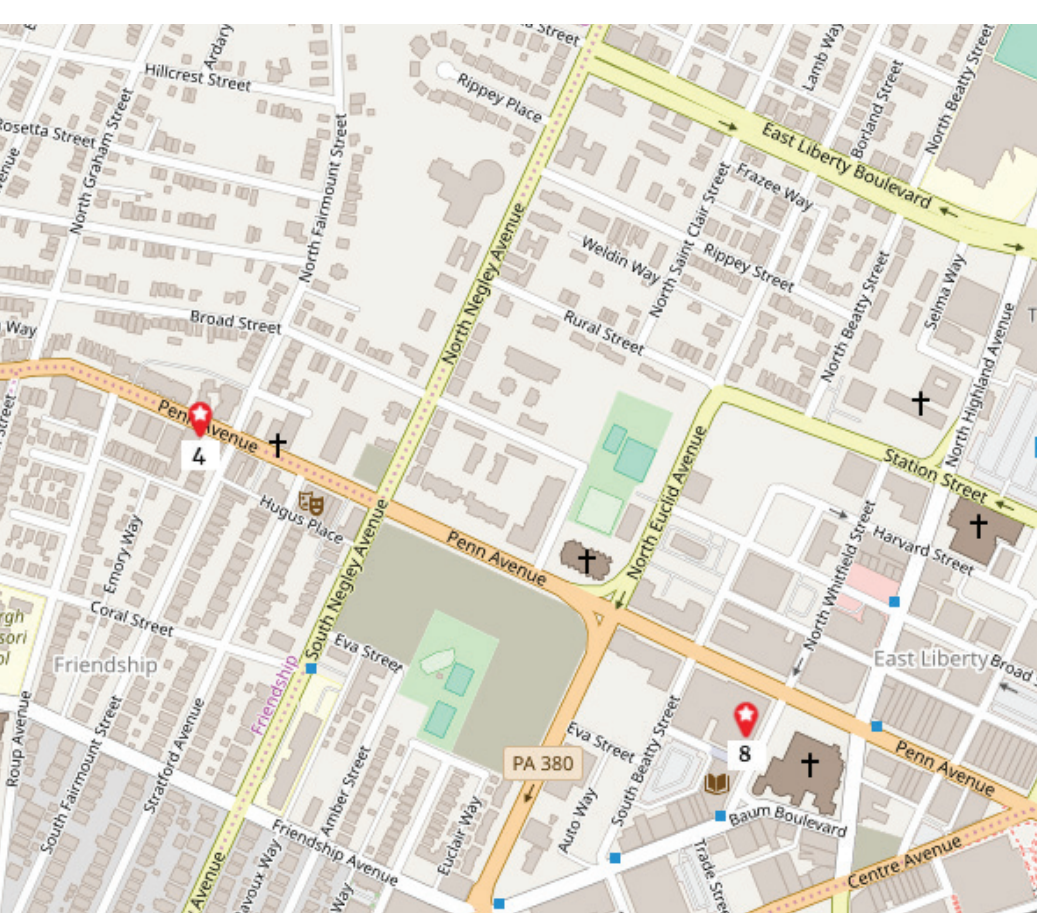
1: Bantha Tea Bar - 5002 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

2: Irma Freeman Center for Imagination - 5006 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

3: Artisan Cafe - 5001 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

4: Pittsburgh Glass Center - 5472 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15206





5: BGC Activity Community Center - 113 N Pacific Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

6: Level Up Studios - 4836 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

7: Boom Concepts - 5139 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

8: ACE Hotel - 120 S Whitfield St, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

9: Metta - 5118 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

The Pittsburgh Fringe is a proud member of the following:





Meet the Venues



Boom Concepts

BOOM Concepts is dedicated to the development of artist and creative entrepreneurs representing marginalized voices. BOOM is a space for field building, knowledge sharing, mentorship, and storytelling.

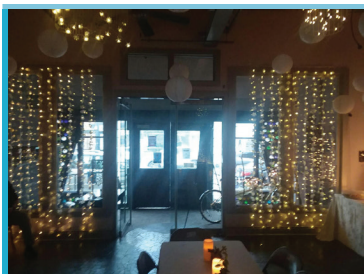
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Pittsburgh Glass Center

Glass Art: We teach it. We create it. We promote it. We support those who make it. Pittsburgh Glass Center is a nonprofit, public access glass school, gallery and state-of-the-art studio.

5472 Penn Ave
Pittsburgh PA 15206



Irma Freeman Center

The Irma Freeman Center for Imagination (IFCI) represents the vision of Irma Freeman. Irma Freeman was a prolific and inspiring visionary artist who lived most of her life in poverty yet filled her world with fantastical colorful imagery, leaving a legacy of hundreds of paintings.

5006 Penn Ave,
Pittsburgh, PA 15224



Bantha Tea Bar

Bantha Tea Bar strives to be a socially and environmentally engaged member of the Bloomfield-Garfield Community. Our shop utilizes solar power and is constructed primarily of recycled materials in partnership with the Fourth River Workers Guild. Our tea and food is locally and ethically sourced. We use triple-filtered, reverse-osmosis water for all of our teas & coffees.

5002 Penn Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15224



Artisan Cafe and Tattoo

At Artisan, our focus is on craft and quality. We are always growing and learning so that we can strive to do everything we do in the best way possible. Everyone at Artisan cares a lot about what they do, whether it's a custom tattoo or an artisanal cup of coffee. Stop in and say hello!

5001 Penn Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15224



BGC Community Center

The Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation (BGC) exists to improve the quality of life for all in Garfield and surrounding neighborhoods through active community engagement. Community-based and board driven, one of the BGC's main goals is to get as many people in the community as possible to participate in efforts aimed at physical revitalization, an improved economy, and strengthened well-being.

113 N Pacific Ave,
Pittsburgh, PA 15224



Level Up Studios

Level Up Studios is a creative arts studio that offers Dance & Martial Arts Training, Design Services, Creative Writing Courses & Piano Lessons under one roof. Inspired by hip hop culture, Level Up celebrates its positive roots and serves as a creative playground for underserved youth, local artists/ musicians and cultural enthusiasts.

4836 Penn Ave,
Pittsburgh, PA 15224



Venues: Cont.



5118 Penn Ave,
Pittsburgh, PA 15224

Metta

Metta is Pali for loving-kindness, the core value on which this community of healers and artists is based. We believe that all beings have equal to right to the love, healing, creativity, and abundance that mother earth provides, and therefore seek to share and hone our gifts with a spirit of generosity and compassion.



ACE Hotel

120 S Whitfield Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Ace Hotel Pittsburgh makes its home in a century-old former YMCA building at the heart of East Liberty. We're a short jaunt from some of the best restaurants in the city, museums and braintrusts, an active art and idea scene with shops, galleries and cafes filled with folks pushing and pulling culture, advocating at the edges of Pittsburgh's future, helping one another grow through the deep roots of one of America's most hope-springing cities.

Thank You



Pittsburgh Fringe Buttons!

Buy a Fringe Button for \$5 and get \$3 off each show ALL weekend! Buttons will grant free access to some events. P.S. look for other button wearers to find out which shows are great!

Buy tickets online or at the door!

- All ticket sales are final.
- No late admittance to shows.
- Show descriptions were written by the shows themselves without Fringe editing for grammar, punctuality and clarity.
- Ratings are chosen by the shows themselves, and Pittsburgh Fringe cannot possibly see the shows prior to performance.
- Efforts have been made to ensure this guide is correct at the time of publication, but all shows and times and locations are subject to change. Please check www.pittsburghfringe.org for the most up-to-date information.

Thursday, April 4, 2019

5:00 PM	Velvet Determination ~ A Young Pianist's Journey to New York	Irma Freeman Center
5:30 PM	Contact Improvisation - Class + Jam!	BGC Community Center
6:00 PM	When Jesus Divorced Me	Irma Freeman Center
6:00 PM	Open Living Room	Penn Ave.
6:25 PM	HR for Comedians	BGC Community Center
6:30 PM	Iron in Your Future	Mettā
7:00 PM	Flying Fish	Irma Freeman Center
7:30 PM	Two Lines	Artisan Café
8:00 PM	Politely Angry: An Hour Of Socially Conscious Comedy	Bantha Tea Bar
8:00 PM	Laughs Angeles	BGC Community Center
8:00 PM	The Internet Ate My Brain	Irma Freeman Center
8:00 PM	Erase Every Line	Mettā
8:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House
8:30 PM	Favorite Colors	ACE Hotel, Level Up Studios
8:45 PM	Andrew Steiner: Stand-up Mind-F*ck	Artisan Café
9:00 PM	Shakespeare's King John: The Brawling Bard Abridged Version	Bantha Tea Bar
9:30 PM	The Presented	Level Up Studios
9:30 PM	Art Lobotomy: behind the curtain of the creative mind	Irma Freeman Center
9:30 PM	The Lightweight	BGC Community Center
10:00 PM	Shepherds Gone Wild	Bantha Tea Bar



Friday, April 5, 2019

05:15 PM	Lasciare Suonare	Mettā
6:00 PM	Hot Jam	Pittsburgh Glass Center
6:00 PM	Open Living Room	Penn Ave.
6:25 PM	HR for Comedians	BGC Community Center
6:30 PM	Iron in Your Future	Mettā
6:30 PM	Absence	Level Up Studios
7:00 PM	UNPLAYABLE CHARACTERS: Art & Stuff by David C. Mueller	Level Up Studios
7:00 PM	Cisco Kid vs. Donald Trump	Irma Freeman Center
8:00 PM	Erase Every Line	Mettā
8:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House
9:30 PM	TheLightweight	BGC Community Center
9:30 PM	Laughs Angeles	BGC Community Center
9:40 PM	Do You See What I Hear?	Level Up Studios
11:00 PM	POLY-THEIST	Level Up Studios
11:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House

Saturday, April 6, 2019

11:00AM	Dishwasher	Your House
12:00 PM	Artist Talk with Kosmo Vinyl	Irma Freeman Center
1:00 PM	Dance Gallery	Irma Freeman Center
1:00 PM	Beyond Pittsburgh: Which Fringe is Next?	Bantha Tea Bar
2:00 PM	When Jesus Divorced Me	Irma Freeman Center
2:00 PM	Wade in the Water	Boom Concepts

Saturday April 6: Cont.

2:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House
2:00 PM	Open Living Room	Penn Ave.
3:00 PM	Velvet Determination ~ A Young Pianist's Journey to New York	Irma Freeman Center
3:30 PM	POLY-THEIST	Level Up Studios
4:00 PM	The Internet Ate My Brain	Irma Freeman Center
4:00 PM	Mime Candy	Boom Concepts
5:00 PM	Flying Fish	Irma Freeman Center
5:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House
5:15 PM	Lasciare Suonare	Mettā
5:30 PM	Shakespeare's King John: The Brawling Bard Abridged Version	Bantha Tea Bar
6:00 PM	The Syrinx Project	Boom Concepts
6:25 PM	HR for Comedians	BGC Community Center
6:30 PM	Do You See What I Hear?	Level Up Studios
6:30 PM	Iron in Your Future	Mettā
7:00 PM	Dreamz of Music Foundation	ACE Hotel
7:00 PM	The Reluctant Mind Reader	Boom Concepts
7:30 PM	A Complete Waste of Time	Artisan Café
7:30 PM	Legends of Arthur	Irma Freeman Center
7:45 PM	You Gotta Try This!	ACE Hotel
8:00 PM	The Presented	Level Up Studios
8:00 PM	Velvet Determination ~ A Young Pianist's Journey to New York	Irma Freeman Center
8:00 PM	The Miracle Elixir Side Show	Pittsburgh Glass Center
8:00 PM	Erase Every Line	Mettā
8:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House

9:00 AM	If I Die... I Am Legend A Tale of Orisha, Hoodoo, and #BlackLivesMatter	Boom Concepts
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9:30 PM	Laughs Angeles	BGC Community Center
10:00 PM	Andrew Steiner: Stand-up Mind-F*ck	Artisan Café
10:00 PM	Shepherds Gone Wild	Bantha Tea Bar
10:30 PM	Art Lobotomy: behind the curtain of the creative mind	Irma Freeman Center
10:30 PM	StorySlam by the Pittsburgh Fringe	ACE Hotel
11:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House



Sunday, April 7, 2019

1:00 PM	You Gotta Try This!	ACE Hotel
1:10 PM	The Fourth Wheel	Level Up Studios
2:00 PM	The Syrinx Project	Boom Concepts
2:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House
2:15 PM	Favorite Colors	ACE Hotel, Level Up Studios
3:00 PM	Velvet Determination ~ A Young Pianist's Journey to New York	Irma Freeman Center
3:00 PM	The Reluctant Mind Reader	Boom Concepts
3:00 PM	Ecstatic Dance - All Ages Movement Extravaganza!	ACE Hotel
4:00 PM	The Presented	Level Up Studios

Sunday, April 7: Cont.

4:00 PM	Flying Fish	Irma Freeman Center
4:00 PM	Shakespeare's King John: The Brawling Bard Abridged Version	Bantha Tea Bar
5:00 PM	When Jesus Divorced Me	Irma Freeman Center
5:00 PM	Abandon	BGC Community Center
5:00 PM	Dishwasher	Your House
5:15 PM	Visionary Visuals Playshop	ACE Hotel
5:30 PM	Do You See What I Hear?	Level Up Studios
6:00 PM	The Internet Ate My Brain	Irma Freeman Center
6:00 PM	The Miracle Elixir Side Show	Pittsburgh Glass Center
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STORYSLAM



Saturday, April 6 at 10:30 PM

ACE Hotel

120 S Whitfield St, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

The Fourth Wheel



The Fourth Wheel
Sunday 1:10 PM
Level Up Studios
Free



Comedy

Artisan Cafe

Andrew Steiner: Stand-up Mind-F*ck - R - \$8

Andrew Steiner, host of The Weirdball Podcast has performed in clubs all over NYC, toured internationally, and has made out with trees. With a mix of precision jokes and improvisation, he makes the audience feel like they're right along with him for the trip.

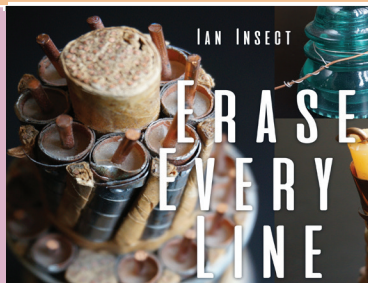


Thursday- 8:45 PM
Saturday- 10:00 PM

Metta Main Space

Erase Every Line - G - \$8

The thinking man's idiot and 2018 Fringe's "Best Local Show" winner returns with a predictably unprecedented, unconventional one-person performance that's part comedy, part party, part clowning, partly cloudy, part part medicine show and part meditation. Come share in the golden, booming silence of a man who talks too much discovering he has nothing left to say, and maybe never did.



Thursday- 8:00 PM
Friday- 8:00 PM
Saturday- 8:00 PM

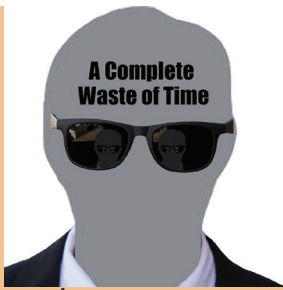
16 BGC's Community Center



Friday- 6:25 PM
Saturday- 6:25 PM
Sunday- 6:25 PM

HR For Comedians - PG 13 - Free

FREE SEMINAR! A no-nonsense, no-nuance approach to the do's and don't's of the sometimes confusing world of comedy. Don't wait until you're at the center of the next big scandal! A must-see for anyone considering a career in comedy. Literally, must see. Attendance is required and must be approved by management (the guy running the local open mic). FREE SEMINAR!



A Complete Waste of Time - R - \$15

Steve Chang takes you on an introspective journey to find meaning in life by means of ayahuasca, hookers, and gay conversion camp. Spoiler alert: it's a complete waste of time. A stand-up comedy and storytelling solo show

Saturday- 7:30 PM

Artisan Cafe



Eleven Fingers - Howie Hypnotize- PG13 - \$8

Howie Hypnotize hits the stage with his high energy, clean and highly funny, interactive and hilarious show which includes hypnosis, mentalism, balloons and magic. Be in the show that makes you a star. Stars are born when they volunteer to be apart of the show. HowieHypnotize.com

Saturday- 9:20 PM
Sunday- 7:00 PM

Level Up Studios

THE INTERNET ATE MY BRAIN



The Internet Ate My Brain - G - \$15

The Internet Ate My Brain lampoons how crazy we've all become about gadgets and gizmos. This innovative evening of zany topical songs and audience interaction won critical praise and a Broadway World award nomination at its New York City debut.

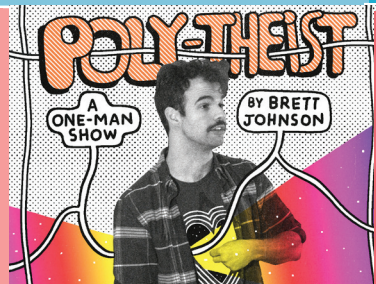
Thrusday- 8:00 PM
Saturday- 4:00 PM
Sunday- 6:00 PM

Irma Freeman Center

POLY-THEIST - PG13 - \$15

Stand-up comic Brett Johnson was a married, 21-year-old monogamous Evangelical.

Then he became the opposite. Poly-Theist is his new one man show about non-monogamy, Jesus and KFC/Taco Bells. After sold-out runs on the East Coast and performances around the U.S., don't miss this PA premiere. As seen in the Hartford Courant and Boston Globe



Friday- 11:00 PM
Saturday- 3:30 PM
Sunday- 8:30 PM

Level Up Studios

Laughs Angeles



Laughs Angeles- R - \$15

A diverse group of Los Angeles based comedians who aren't afraid to tell it like it is come to Pittsburgh after touring the UK, with an hour of standup comedy about their own unique perspectives, on topics like being gay, fat, nerdy, or drinking too much hot chocolate.

Thursday- 8:00 PM

Friday- 8:00 PM

Saturday- 9:30 PM



The Miracle Elixir Side Show - G - \$10

Step right up, girls and boys, moms and dads! Experience a comedic old-fashioned medicine show featuring Zephyr - the Man Who Feels No Pain, Lavinia - the Fire-Proof Lady, and escape artist Professor Nicodemus Styles.

Saturday- 8:00 PM

Sunday- 6:00 PM

Sunday- 8:00 PM

Named among the "Best of the 'Burgh" by Pittsburgh Magazine, they invite you to join in the fun - laughter is the best medicine!

Politely Angry-An Evening of Socially Conscious Comedy - R - \$8

Comedian Krish Mohan explores various social, political and philosophical issues, such as war culture, immigration, economics and more with his quick wit & quirky attitude. Described as "dangerously perceptive and honest, but somehow still loving and inclusive" by venues across the country, Krish's show will make you think and laugh at the same time.



Thursday- 8:00 PM

Saturday- 9:00 PM

Sunday- 8:00 PM



PUPPETS IN PERFORMANCE

Darlene Fedele Thompson, Director
dfthompson70puppets@gmail.com





You Gotta Try This! - G- \$8

You Gotta Try This! Juggling, that is! This is a fast paced comedy show about being a Juggler. Through his antics Ted discovers that audiences will look up your nose and laugh at your mistakes but it's just about having fun! A show for the entire family! "WOW!" Tony Infantino, WARM 101.3 FM.

Saturday- 7:45 PM

Sunday- 1:00 PM

ACE Hotel



Dance & Physical Theatre



Contact Improvisation Dance - Workshop & Jam Session! - PG - \$8

Contact Improvisation is an exciting movement practice inviting you to follow your curiosities, explore your edges, and engage with sensation and gravity - all while physically connecting with others. It's a spontaneous adventure, not a performance! We'll warm up with exercises and games then flow into an open jam. Loose, comfortable clothing. No buckles or buttons. Bare feet. All levels!

Thursday- 5:30 PM

BGC Community Center

Ecstatic Dance - All Ages Movement Extravaganza! - G - \$15

Ecstatic Dance is an all ages free-form, mindful movement experience set to a totally awesome musical arch in a super welcoming, dive in, let loose, feel free, be YOU community setting!! Come as you are ~ Move as you wish! No dance experience needed; No steps to learn. Dance props, costumes, and drawing space = fun for all!!



Sunday- 2:00 PM

ACE Hotel



Abandon - PG - Free

Abandon touches on the issues surrounding leaving the families we've developed over the years and branching out into the unknown.

Sunday- 5:00 PM

(a) Postmodern-Jazz - G - Free

An ongoing jazz of the movement methods and philosophy of The Pillow Project dance company, playing motion and musicality – We are dancers ‘jazzing the music’. ‘Jazz’, to us, is a verb.

Founded in 2004, The Pillow Projects are improvisational, multidisciplinary collaborations promoting our ‘postmodern-jazz dance’ philosophy of blending improvisation and choreography.



Saturday- 9:00 PM



Artist Talk with Kosmo Vinyl - PG 13 - Free

Legendary ‘Clash Man’ Kosmo Vinyl Brings his “Cisco Kid vs. Donald Trump” Art Exhibition to the Irma Freeman Center for Imagination and on Saturday April 6 at noon to talk art, the Clash and other history.

We appreciate donation for this event. And fans buy his art for sale.

Saturday- 12:00 PM

Velvet Determination

A Young Pianist's Journey to New York

Written & Performed by Cynthia Shaw

How does a young classical pianist from Colorado get to New York? Practice? Storytelling and live classical piano playing.

April 4 (5 pm) April 6 (3 pm) April 7 (3 pm)
Irma Freeman 5006 Penn Ave.
April 6, (8 pm) Bantha Tea 5002 Penn Ave.



2018 United Solo
“Best Festival Debut”



Events and Workshops

Award Ceremony for Pittsburgh Fringe- PG13 - Free

Join us for the 2019 Pittsburgh Fringe Award Ceremony. We will celebrate the best of our fringe with awards including Best Actor and Best Actress. The culmination of our ceremony is the Selke Award for the Best Show at the Pittsburgh Fringe. Awards given at 10:30 PM.

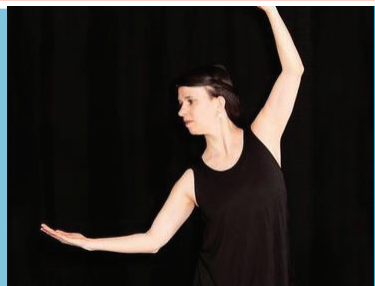


Sunday- 9:30 PM

ACE Hotel

Dance Gallery- G - \$15

“Dance Gallery” is an interactive workshop that uses a Visual Artist’s work and brings it alive through audience participation and the art of dance.



Saturday- 1:00 PM

Irma Freeman Center

StorySlam - R - \$8

A StorySlam is an open mic competition for anyone to share a five-minute story based on one theme to audience members who appreciate a well-told tale. Of those who sign up in advance online and attend the event, 10 storytellers will be randomly selected from a hat (so everyone gets the same chance!).



Saturday- 10:30 PM

ACE Hotel

Penn Ave



Thursday- 6:00 PM
Friday- 6:00 PM
Saturday- 2:00 PM

Open Living Room Project - PG - Free

“Open Living Room” (OLR) by TOLAH Arts + Healing (@TOLAHarts) is a pop-up “arts living room” in the streets! Artists host OLR and everyone is a participant! We welcome you to share stories, tea, and art. Feel free to bring instruments, art supplies, and food to share. OLR embraces many Burning Man principles, including: Immediacy, Communal Effort, and Radical Self-expression.

Bantha Tea Bar



Saturday- 1:00 PM

Beyond Pittsburgh: Which Fringe is Next?- G - Free

Fringe Festivals are fast becoming THE new way to get your new work out to the world. If you are interested in taking your show to another fringe, but are not sure where to start, this workshop is for you.

ACE Hotel



Sunday- 5:15 PM

Visionary Visuals Playshop- R - \$8

Visionary Visuals Playshop by local artist Aaron Jackendoff (@AaronJackLineArt of @TOLAHarts). Explore patterns of your life and meaning behind them through simple artistic and analytical practices. We will work with symbols, drawing, embodiment, and group dialogue to bring to light insights and inspirations. No prior artistic experience necessary. Come play with us!!





Film & Video

Boom Concepts



Saturday- 9:00 AM

If I Die... I Am Legend A Tale of Orisha, Hoodoo, and #BlackLivesMatter - PG13 - Free
Early morning marathon screening of "If I Die I'm A Legend: A Tale of Orisha, Hoodoo, and #BlackLivesMatter" performances. This project is the winner of the 2016 Pittsburgh Fringe Festival "Best in Show Selke Award". This screening is supported by The Pittsburgh Foundation and The Heinz Endowments through the Advancing Black Arts in Pittsburgh Fund.

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Then he became the opposite.**

POLY-THEIST

A
ONE-MAN
SHOW

BY BRETT
JOHNSON



Level Up Studios
4836 Penn Ave

FRIDAY 11pm
SAT 3:30
SUN 8:30
\$15

Sold-out runs
in Boston &
New York



Music

Do You See What I Hear? - G - \$8

Level Up Studios

Haunting, beautiful piano and electric cello by internationally acclaimed composer James Wright Glasgow. Immersive poetry by Mario Moroni (Lorenzo Montano Poetry Prize). A dramatic conversation between music and spoken word, hailed as “Incredibly modern and inventive” by Edinburgh Guide. Now performing in NYC, Pittsburgh, and London after a 2018 tour through Brazil, Italy, Scotland, and the United States.



Friday- 9:40 PM
Saturday- 6:30PM
Sunday- 5:30 PM

THE INTERNET ATE MY BRAIN

Starring Bill Dyszel, author, *Microsoft Outlook for Dummies*

Your musical intervention for cyber insanity



Thu, April 4, 8 pm
Sat, April 6, 4 pm
Sun, April 7, 6 pm

Irma Freeman Center,
5006 Penn AV
\$15

"Comic relief for digital distraction"

Broadway World Award nominee
Theatre Pizzazz Top 10

DREAMZ OF MUSIC FOUNDATION

SUPPORT DISABLED MUSICIANS
WWW.DREAMZOFMUSIC.ORG

Saturday- 7:00 PM

The Dreamz of Music Festival - R- Free

The Dreamz of Music Festival is a indoor music festival located at the Luxurious Ace hotel Pittsburgh with live performances from musicians in different genres and business vendors. This festival also features performances from the #dreamerz at the Dreamz of Music Foundation, and feature volunteer musicians. This festival is meant to entertain, inform, and inspire all those who come.

ACE Hotel

Musicals & Opera

Flying Fish - G - \$8

"Flying Fish" was co-written by Darlene Fedele Thompson and Charles Sperry, with music and lyrics by Charles Sperry and 12 puppets by Darlene Fedele Thompson. The story is about the friendship between a crab and a flying fish who dreams of flying to the moon. For all ages.

Thursday- 7:00 PM
Saturday- 5:00 PM
Sunday- 4:00 PM

Irma Freeman Center

ZOE SORRELL PRESENTS

"...a modern classic..."

THE SYRINX PROJECT

AT THE PITTSBURGH FRINGE FESTIVAL

APRIL 6, 2019 6:00 PM
APRIL 7, 2019 2:00 PM

BOOM CONCEPTS
5139 PENN AVE.

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Volunteering Refreshed



Theatre

Favorite Colors -- A Memory Play - R - \$8

Life is a colorful adventure with a quirky best friend like Maggie.

Known for her infectious laughter and free spirit, Maggie would kill it at karaoke, and her “Dirty Dancing lift” attempts were infamous!

Most of all, though, Maggie always held her friends dear.

Explore the colorful ups and downs of life from Maggie’s red-tinted bad-ass sunglasses.



Thursday- 8:30 PM (LU)

Sunday- 2:15 PM (ACE)

Sunday- 8:30 PM (ACE)

ACE Hotel/
Level Up Studios

Legends of Arthur - PG - \$15

Storyteller Alan Irvine brings the legends of King Arthur vividly to life with three classic tales of Arthur and his knights, including “The Sword in the Stone”, “Sir Gawain and the Green Knight” and for the first time ever, Alan’s version of the Arthur’s last battle.



Saturday- 7:30 PM

Irma Freeman Center

The Fourth Wheel - PG13 - Free

A staged reading of a lively new play by local author and playwright Jarrod Joos. Logline: A third-wheel tries his best to introduce his new partner to his couple-friends. Author Q&A immediately following the show. Produced and performed with delight by Stoops Ferry Productions. www.stoopsferryproductions.com



Sunday- 1:10 PM

Level Up Studios

Art Lobotomy: Behind The Curtain of the Creative Mind - PG13 - \$15

Every show is different! Two female hosts present an multi-genre, interactive performance showcase! The audience becomes a part of the show - asking questions, proposing critiques, and offering their perspectives. Perhaps even playing, singing, or just laughing along! Hosted by songwriter Liss Victory and comedian Liz Tripoli with special surprise guest performers!



Thursday- 9:30 PM
Saturday- 10:30 PM
Sunday- 7:30 PM

Irma Freeman Center



Iron in Your Future - PG - \$8

One woman's race to embrace her inner athlete! Non-athlete Mindy signs up for a triathlon one day - and the road towards completion brings more turns and twists than she ever expected. This solo show is a fun look at how we challenge ourselves and deal with the unexpected.

Thursday- 6:30 PM
Friday- 6:30 PM
Saturday- 6:30 PM

Metta Main Space

The Lightweight- PG13 - \$15

It's story about a Tolkien nerd crushing beers and crushing skulls. For all of you who didn't quite make the cut, who got overlooked, who got left behind, who have much anger, who were considered too old, too old to begin the training! It's a story about how every day in life... is a fight.



Thursday- 9:30 PM
Friday- 9:30 PM
Sunday- 8:00 PM

BGC Community Center

Lasciare Suonare - PG13 - Free

Lasciare Suonare explores the challenges faced by families after a suicide attempt. When someone tries to take their own life, it affects not only them, but the people around them. Recovery is a journey and a process for everyone involved.



Friday- 5:15 PM
Saturday- 5:15 PM

Metta

Level Up studios

The Presented - PG13 - \$15

The Presented explores what it means to be a chosen artist in the world today. In his signature comedic style, Davis examines the issues facing many theater artists today in a fun and hilarious 50-minute show that will make you never want to pursue a career in the arts ever again.



Thursday- 9:30 PM
Saturday- 8:00 PM
Sunday- 4:00 PM

Bantha Tea Bar

Shakespeare's King John: Abridged - PG - \$15

Relax in Bantha Tea while at the next table, Will Shakespeare struggles with his latest play. When his friends come by, they insist on staging an impromptu performance of this rough draft. They quickly fill the entire space, using alcoves, tables, even fellow patrons. They may need you to hold props, play characters, fire cannons. Just don't drink Alex's tea!



Thursday- 9:00 PM
Saturday- 5:30 PM
Sunday- 4:00 PM

Irma Freeman Center/
Bartha Tea Bar

Velvet Determination ~ Pianist's Journey - PG13 - \$15

Winner "Best Festival Debut" NYC United Solo Festival, 2018. Cynthia enjoyed her childhood of piano lessons but wanted to move to NY to attend the esteemed Manhattan School of Music. Then the fun begins. A falling piano, bad memorization, sweltering practice rooms, a condescending teacher, the joy of Carnegie Hall! She experienced it all. Live classical piano. www.velvetdetermination.com



April 4, 5:00 PM - Irma Freeman
April 6, 3:00 PM - Irma Freeman
April 6, 8:00 PM - Bartha Tea Bar
April 7, 3:00 PM - Irma Freeman

Bartha Tea Bar



Shepherds Gone Wild - PG13 - \$8

Time runs out on four, washed up, middle-aged comedian's Hollywood dreams when their Christian employer cancels their kids television show. Wanting to go out on their own terms, they get a little creative with their Christmas show. No harm in that... right?

Thursday- 10:00 PM
Saturday- 10:00 PM
Sunday- 6:30 PM



Two Lines - PG13 - \$8

An original one act play written by an IUP alumni. Two Lines; Old lovers reunite, one thinks they are getting back together and the other reveals the news that she is pregnant. Through friendship, pot, and learning how to adult they have to work together and come to the conclusion; will the two lines become a reality or not?

Thursday- 7:30 PM
Friday- 9:00 PM

Artisan Cafe



When Jesus Divorced Me

When Jesus Divorced Me- PG13 - \$15

When you are married to a man who plays Jesus in a theme park, you know life is going to get a little weird.

Thursday- 6:00 PM
Saturday- 2:00 PM
Sunday- 5:00 PM

Irma Freeman Center



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Cisco Kid vs. Donald Trump - PG 13 - Free

Legendary 'Clash Man' Kosmo Vinyl Brings his "Cisco Kid vs. Donald Trump" Art Exhibition to the Irma Freeman Center for Imagination from April 5 – May 3, 2019
This show is a part of First Friday "Unblurred"



Friday- 7:00 PM

Your House



10 Shows- Various Times see Website

Dishwasher - PG13 - \$10*

Brian Feldman's first-ever job was as an actor. His second? Dishwasher at a fast-food restaurant chain. Brian will go your house and hand wash the dirty dishes in your kitchen sink. Once completed, you will hand him a monologue of your choosing which he will cold read on the spot. Is he a better actor or dishwasher? You decide. #DishShow

30 Pittsburgh Glass Center



Friday- 6:00 PM

Hot Jam - G - Free

It might meltdown. It might break. It might go up in flames or not. Come and watch heat-defying acts of art at Pittsburgh Glass Center. Free and open to everyone.

This performance is ongoing. Come whenever and stay as long as you like. Warning: Glass is addictive!



Absence - PG - \$10

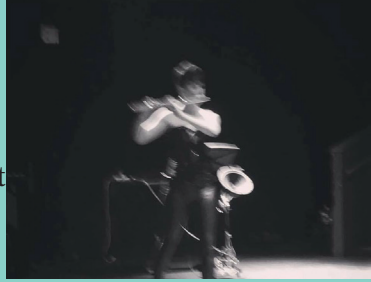
Absence is a movement, musical, and sound exploration of the confines of physical body. It was inspired by a period of 3 months in which the artist (a trained opera singer) was unable to speak or sing. Every piece of recorded text featured is from her conversations during this period, written on iPhone notes, her only method of communication.

Friday- 6:30 PM

Level Up Studios

The Strynx Project - PG13 - \$10

The Strynx Project is a series of commissions for solo flute, poetry, and choreography that expose the ability of the arts to interact with the sociopolitical atmosphere in which the art is created. Each new commission unearths the story of a different female from Greek mythology and tells her story through lenses of contemporary feminism.



Friday- 6:00 PM
Saturday- 2:00 PM

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Saturday- 9:00 PM
Sunday- 7:00 PM (ACE)

Mad Love- R - \$15

Ignite Entertainment presents "Mad Love". A compelling and unique show for adult audiences featuring Burlesque, Light, and Cirque acts to weave together the beautiful yet sometimes crazy story of love. Love wins!

Wade in the Water - PG13 - Free

Come to higher ground in a one hour participatory ritual drama animating an archive of emotions and photographs with hybrid artist and real-life African Princess Mukwae Wabei Siyolwe, in a performance where indigenous and western identities collide on a multi- generational journey towards self- determination through an ancient ceremony called Kuomboka- to wade in the water.



Saturday- 2:00 PM

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The Reluctant Mind Reader - PG13 - \$15

Come watch as someone with the ability to read minds shows off his powers while talking about the pains and annoyances that come with always hearing what people are thinking. The Reluctant Mind Reader showcases how some gifts, aren't what they're cracked up to be.



Saturday- 7:00 PM
Sunday- 3:00 PM

Boom Concepts

Unplayable Characters - G- Free

David is a cheese-eating, beer-drinking and overall working-class kind of artist. Primarily using found wood as painting surfaces, David creates work that focuses on storytelling, grounded in traditional painting and printmaking techniques. David has successfully exhibited his work both locally and internationally and his work is currently featured in two art publications, "Pikchur" and "CreativeBloch."



Friday- 7:00PM
Saturday- 7:00 PM
Sunday- 7:00 PM

Level Up Studios



Mime Candy- G - \$8

Candy Love is a Modern Mime Artist from Pittsburgh, Pa. She uses her dramatic pantomime demonstrations as life lessons in human nature and emotional response. Her collaborative work with music and lyrics serves as a multi layered art form of inclusion and universal relatability.

Saturday- 4:00 PM

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Thank-you, David Mueller!



UNPLAYABLE CHARACTERS: Art & Stuff by David C. Mueller

Currently working and residing in Pittsburgh, PA, born and raised in Wisconsin, David is a cheese-eating, beer-drinking and overall working-class kind of artist.

Primarily using found wood as painting surfaces, David creates work that focuses on storytelling, showcasing the themes of an individual raised on Saturday morning cartoons, inspired by the day to day and grounded in traditional painting and printmaking techniques.

David has successfully exhibited his work both locally and internationally and has most recently had his work featured in two art publications, "Pikchur" and "CreativeBloch."

"The yarns I spin are for all. They're there in an attempt to interweave audiences with a smile and illustrate the importance of art in our everyday lives."

David C. Mueller
www.muellerlowlife.com

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In Loving Memory of Emily Selke



Emily Selke was a co-founder and crucial early contributor to the Pittsburgh Fringe. Her mother, Yvonne, was also an avid supporter of the Pittsburgh Fringe and served as a volunteer in our first year. Both Emily and Yvonne were victims of the air disaster over the Alps on March 24, 2015.

Emily had a bright future in the arts. She had worked at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe representing the Pittsburgh Fringe and she had attended Fringe University. Emily was the only American invited to attend the European Festivals Association's Atelier for Young Festival Managers, a training camp for future festival managers in Barcelona, Spain.

Emily was a joy to be around; she was instantly likeable, hard-working, and absolutely passionate about the arts. The arts community, and most especially the fringe festival community, needs young people like Emily with a passion for the arts and for festival management. We miss her, and every year the Pittsburgh Fringe's top award is named in her honor.



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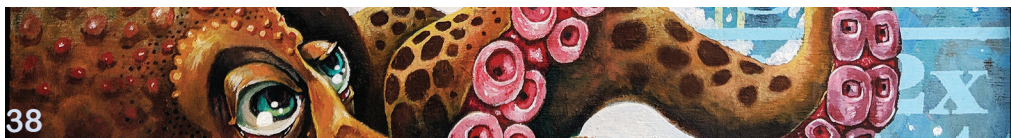


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