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Official 2016 Program Guide







The Pittsburgh Fringe

Fringes are uncensored theatre festivals featuring mostly performance art - from traditional theatre to puppetry to spoken word. The first Fringe started in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1947, and has grown into one of the biggest arts festivals in the world. The Pittsburgh Fringe Festival supports adventurous and exploratory performing artists, in the Fringe tradition, by showcasing their uncensored artistic expression in a professional environment to equally as adventurous audiences and opportunities.

We see to enhance this connection through performances, continuing education, workshops, discussions, and forums. Pittsburgh Fringe Festival is a fiscally sponsored project of Fractured Atlas, a non-profit arts service organization. Contributions for the purposes of Pittsburgh Fringe Festival must be made payable to Fractured Atlas. and are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

<u>Fringe Central</u>

This year's Pittsburgh Fringe is centered on the Northside of Pittsburgh and Arnold's Tea will serve as Fringe Central. Located on 502 East Ohio St., Arnold's Tea is your place to find answers to your questions about shows, locations, tickets, volunteering, and more!



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Daily Fringe Schedule Friday Fringe Schedule

| Show Name | Venue | Time |
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| The Last Lifeboat | St. Mary's Lyceum | 5:00 pm |
| Northeastsouthwest | Allegheny City Historic Gallery | 6:00 pm |
| The Shades of Shel | Max's Allegheny Tavern | 6:30 pm |
| A Dream of Midsummer | St. Mary's Lyceum | 6:30 pm |
| Confessions of a Manic Pixie Dream Girl | YMRC | 6:30 pm |
| Passing Through | James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy | 6:30 pm |
| If I Die I'm A Legend | 632 E. Ohio St. | 7:00 pm |
| StorySwap 1: Jack and the Neverending Tale | Max's Allegheny Tavern | 7:00 pm |
| StorySwap 2: How the Queen Got His Crown | Max's Allegheny Tavern | 8:00 pm |
| 5 Hams Fairy Tales | St. Mary's Lyceum | 8:30 pm |
| Best Intentions | YMRC | 8:30 pm |
| The Eulogy | James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy | 8:30 pm |
| StorySwap 3: Speak Life Storytellers | Max's Allegheny Tavern | 9:30 pm |
| Always B Sharp | YMRC | 10:00 pm |

Saturday Fringe Schedule

| Show Name | Venue | Time |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|
| Critters | YMRC | 11:00 am |
| Ukie Fusion | St. Mary's Lyceum | 11:00 am |
| Four Voices One Story | YMRC | 12:15 pm |
| Northeastsouthwest | Allegheny City Historic Gallery | 12:30 pm |
| The Shades of Shel | St. Mary's Lyceum | 1:00 pm |
| Critters | YMRC | 1:15 pm |
| The Last Lifeboat | St. Mary's Lyceum | 2:30 pm |
| Confession of a Manic Pixie Dream Girl | YMRC | 2:30 pm |
| A Dream of Midsummer | St. Mary's Lyceum | 4:00 pm |

<u>Paily Fringe Schedule</u>

| Show Name | Venue | Time |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Best Intentions | YMRC | 6:00 pm |
| The Eulogy | St. Mary's Lyceum | 6:00 pm |
| If I Die I'm A Legend | 632 E. Ohio St. | 7:00 pm |
| It's Who You Know | YMRC | 7:30 pm |
| Ukie Fusion | St. Mary's Lyceum | 8:00 pm |
| Four Voices One Story | YMRC | 9:00 pm |
| Always B Sharp | YMRC | 10:00 pm |

Sunday Fringe Schedule

| Show Name | Venue | Time |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|
| 5 Hams Fairy Tales | St. Mary's Lyceum | 11:00 am |
| Northeastsouthwest | Allegheny City Historic Gallery | 12:30 pm |
| The Shades of Shel | St. Mary's Lyceum | 1:00 pm |
| Confessions of a Manic Pixie Dream Girl | YMRC | 1:20 pm |
| Passing Through | James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy | 1:30 pm |
| If I Die I'm A Legend | 632 E. Ohio St. | 2:00 pm |
| Ukie Fusion | St. Mary's Lyceum | 3:00 pm |
| Critters | YMRC | 3:20 pm |
| Best Intentions | YMRC | 4:30 pm |
| 5 Hams Fairy Tales | St. Mary's Lyceum | 5:00 pm |
| Passing Through | James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy | 5:30 pm |
| Four Voices One Story | YMRC | 6:00 pm |
| A Dream of Midsummer | St. Mary's Lyceum | 6:30 pm |
| It's Who You Know | YMRC | 7:00 pm |
| The Eulogy | James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy | 7:30 pm |
| Always B Sharp | YMRC | 8:30 pm |
| The Last Lifeboat | St. Mary's Lyceum | 8:30 pm |
| Fringe Award Ceremony | James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy | 10:00 pm |

Fringe Anywhere: Check out *Synapse*, the musical stylings of Griffin Byron, playing intermittently in the YMRC all weekend long!

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This year's festival has 20 different shows offering 53 Fringe experiences, featuring music, theatre, puppetry and more, from amateur to professionals, from comedic to classic to serious works of all genres that are sure to inspire and excite. Tickets can be ordered in advance for \$15 each at pittsburgh-fringe-festival.ticketleap.com.

5 Hams Fairy Tales

Thoreau, NM - A Production Company

Featured



Thoreau, NM – A Production Company presents 5 Hams Fairy Tales! A modernized take on the old Rocky & Bullwinkle shows – think Shrek and Vaudeville smashed together. Written by Norm D. Plume and James Michael Shoberg, *5 Hams* is a comedic series of puns and slapstick-filled skits – just enough shtick to stick to your ribs! Come enjoy some song, some dance, some seltzer down yer pants!

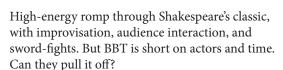
Venue: St. Mary's Lyceum All Ages Fri. 8:30 pm Sun. 11:00 am Sun. 5:00 pm

Featured

Running Time: 45 min.

A Dream of Midsummer

Brawling Bard Theater





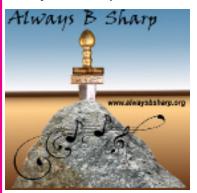
Venue: St. Mary's Lyceum All Ages Fri. 6:30 pm Sat. 4:00 pm Sun. 6:30 pm

Running Time: 90 min.

Always B Sharp

Always B Sharp





Pittsburgh's musical improvisation company offers spontaneous, entertaining, and exciting ingenuity! Watch as the actors create a musical on the spot, with no prior planning, using audience suggestions. Each performance is entirely and completely unique and creates a crazy world full of wonderful characters and crazy situations.

YMRC Age: All Ages Fri. 10:00 pm Sat. 10:00 pm Sun. 8:30 pm

Running Time: 60 min.

Best Intentions

Shark Eat Muffin Theatre Company





Best intentions are what Angelica and Emilia, two modern adaptations of the often-overlooked women from Shakespeare's *Othello* and *Romeo and Juliet*, definitely had before they ended up trapped in a room with a kitten puzzle. Through revealing their darkest secrets, they discover that escape requires honesty, as their "best intentions" are not an excuse in the eyes of the law.

YMRC

Fri. 8:30 pm Sat. 6:00 pm Sun. 4:30 pm

Running Time: 60 min.

Confessions of a Manic Pixie Dream Girl

Age: 14+ (strong language)

Anna Bennett











This one-woman multimedia experience introduces a geek girl, a dancer, a lovable nut job, and a blonde bombshell, then shakes up their comfy routines by bringing the unlikely women together in a support group for so-called "manic pixie dream girls" in this gleefully postmodern pop-culture romp. Sure, it's a loving critique of gender representation in popular media, but there's also live music, physical comedy, cute rom-com boys, and fourth-wall tom-foolery.

YMRC R-rated (strong language) Fri. 6:30 pm Sat. 2:30 pm Sun. 1:20 pm

Running Time: 90 min.

St. Mary's Lyceum

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday 2pm - 8pm Tuesday 2 pm - 8pm Wednesday 2pm - 8pm Thursday 2pm - 12am Friday 2pm - 12am Saturday 1pm - 12am Sunday 1pm - 12am

Critters

Puppets in Performance





Critters is a puppet show of original, humorous skits and songs featuring fuzzy woodland creatures! Intended for all audiences, it teaches about the habits of our furry friends, while entertaining too. You'll laugh when a skunk tries to sell perfume, a cat and possum compare their lives, a dangerous dog meets his match, and more. Come join the fun!

YMRC All Ages

Sat. 11:00 am Sat. 1:15 pm Sun. 3:20 pm

Running Time: 45 min.

The Eulogy Michael Burgos





Winner: Best Comedy 2016 Adelaide Fringe, Quirky Award 2015 IndyFringe and several sold out runs. A parody of a funeral, *The Eulogy* features a menagerie of characters whose inept and inapt speeches give anything but a proper homage. The Washington Post "a comic gem"; Adelaide Theatre Guide "a must-see"; DC METRO THEATER ARTS "magnificent".

www.theeulogyplay.com #TheEulogy Fri. 8:30 pm at James Street Gastropub & Speakeasy Sat. 6:00 pm at St. Mary's Lyceum Sun. 7:30 pm James Street Gastropub & Speakeasy Age 15+; Running Time: 60 min.

Four Voices... One Story

Moquette Volante

Mad Hatter



Four Voices... One Story explores and celebrates cultural similarities by bringing four different versions of the classic Cinderella tales to life, told as one story by women of four different backgrounds. Experience the kindness, the toil, the transformation and the reward as young heroines in Kenya, Italy, the Czech Republic, and India strive to find their princes – or their fortunes.

YMRC All Ages Sat.12:15 pm Sat. 9:00 pm Sun. 6:00 pm

Running Time: 45 min.

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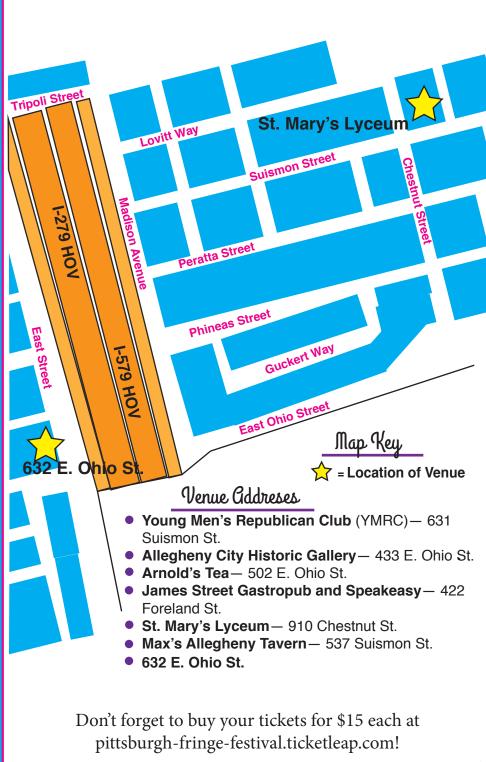








Go to Fringe Central at Arnold's Tea if you have any questions or concerns.



It's Who You Know

Chambers Stevens





On stage there is a table with a large box with hundreds of cards inside, each with the name of a different actor, celebrity, musician, or writer on it. Chambers pulls a card and tells a true story about his run-in with that person. Stevens' exciting new one-man show is different every time, sometimes funny or touching, but always exciting.

YMRC Age: 8+ Fri. 5:00 pm Sat. 7:30 pm Sun. 7:00 pm

Running Time: 60 min.

If I Die I'm a Legend: A Tale of Orisha, Hoodoo, and #BlackLivesMatter Featured

BOOM Concepts



A historical diagram of afro-futuristic existence, this physical theater work provides a look into Street Deities and their relationships to the lineage of diasporic people. Audiences will witness the creation of a #blacklivesmatter #shrine after traveling through #blackpower portals. Portals that provide a space where marginalized voices can respond to corporate white supremacist efforts of gentrification, erasure and appropriation.

632 E. Ohio St. Age: 13+ Fri. 7:00 pm Sat. 7:00 pm Sun. 2:00 pm

Running Time: 75 min.

The Last Lifeboat

WU Players



The Last Lifeboat is the story of J. Bruce Ismay, the chairman of the White Star Line at the time of the sinking of the Titanic. Detailing points in his life from childhood to old age, this play poses the question: If you had to choose between seeing your loved ones again and doing the noble thing, what would you have done?

St. Mary's Lyceum Age: 13+ Fri. 5:00 pm Sat. 2:30 pm Sun. 8:30 pm

Running Time: 54 min.

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Northeastsouthwest

Beautiful Cadaver Project



Four characters explore complicated relationships with each other and Pittsburgh through realistic and surrealistic means. Six playwrights, known as the Beautiful Cadaver Project, developed this play via the exquisite corpse model. After agreeing on character names and a location, each playwright developed two scenes, not knowing what the others created. Then, the playwrights pieced the scenes together, forming *Northeastsouthwest*.

Allegheny City Historic Gallery Age: 18+ Fri. 6:00 pm Sat. 12: 30 pm Sun. 12:30 pm

Running Time: 90 min.

Passing Through

Cup-A-Jo Productions





Passing Through is a world-premiere play with music devised by local musicians, poets and theatremakers. The story takes place in the upstairs of a pub on the North Side. Born out of Pittsburgh's open-mic scene, the performance follows the lives of three performers both on and off stage. This documentary style play is a story about love, purpose, growing up, falling down, figuring it out, and singing about it. Did we mention an original score?

James Street Gastropub and Speakeasy

Fri. 6:30 PM Sun. 1:30 PM Sun. 5:30 PM

Running Time: 75 min.

The Shades of Shel

Sean Miller





The Shades of Shel is a one-man storytelling show based on the more adult works of Shel Silverstein. Starting with "Hamlet as told on the Streets", the show rolls on to feature other favorites including: "The Great American Smoke-Off", "The Perfect High", "The Perfect Wave" and "Marie Laveaux".

Fri. 6:30 pm at Max's Allegheny Tavern Sat. 1:00 pm at St. Mary's Lyceum Sun. 1:00 pm at St. Mary's Lyceum Age: 18+; Running Time: 60 min.

StorySwap 1: Jack & the Never Ending Tale

Felicia Cooper





Jack and the Never-Ending Tale is a whimsical retelling of Appalachian Folk Tales through marionette and shadow puppetry. The show is for all ages, runs 30 minutes, and is created entirely out of repurposed materials.

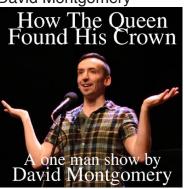
Max's Allegheny Tavern All Ages

Fri. 7:00 pm Running Time: 30 min.

StorySwap 2: How the Queen Got His Crown

David Montgomery

Mini Fringe



Imagine if David Sedaris had a Spice Girls tattoo. That's what you get when comedic storyteller David Montgomery tells his tumultuous life story through eyes that can only see pain as humor. He jokes, sings, and dances about his parents' divorce, coming out, and quitting his job to follow the Spice Girls, and repairing his bruised ego to find what truly matters in life.

Max's Allegheny Tavern Age: 14+ (some adult language) Fri. 8:00 pm Running Time: 60 min.

StorySwap 3: Adventures of Speak Life Storytellers

Speak Life Storytellers





Humanity has left Earth and found itself on a new planet named Story. A powerful tribe arose bringing fulfilling life wherever its members journeyed, but it vanished. There's talk of a single ship which may still be spotted. Now follow the MAPS and join the Captain and First Officer as their musical and poetic stories take us on a journey through the realm of Story. Captain's note: "Our tales are mostly improvised. Not even we know what to expect. Join us if you dare..."

Max's Allegheny Tavern
All Ages Runn

Fri. 9:30 pm Running Time: 60 min.

Ukie Fusion

Slava Dance Company





Ukie Fusion explores the mash-up of being American-grown but with Ukrainian roots. Traditional music, dance, and themes are fused together with contemporary dance movement, introspective monologue, and music. A fusion of old and new, quirky and beautiful, superstition and faith, heart and soul, Slava Dance Company will take you on a journey like no other!

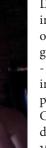
St. Mary's Lyceum All Ages Sat. 11:00 am Sat. 8:00 pm Sun. 3:00 pm

Running Time: 90 min.

Fringe Anywhere

Synapse

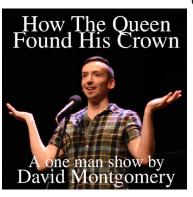
Griffin Byron



DJ and glitch artist Griffin Byron unleashes an innovative, live, electro- succulent performance of baddass beats, sensuous synths, and glitchy grooves. Witness this labyrinth mix of live looping - organic leads interweave with dubwub growls - inspiring melodies drip from wild discordias, justaposed with sensual vox and luscious pad sequences. Come and experience a unique musical journey down the rabbit hole...

YMRC All Ages Times: Intermittently between shows all weekend.

<u> Last Minute Entry:</u>



StorySwap 2: How the Queen Got His Crown

This show has sold out, so we added a 2nd showing Saturday in the YMRC at 4:30 pm! Buy your tickets now at Ticketleap.com!

In Loving Memory Emily Selke and Yvonne Selke



Emily Selke was a co-founder and crucial member of the Pittsburgh Fringe. Her mother was also an avid supporter and volunteer at the Pittsburgh Fringe our first year. Emily and her mother Yvonne were victims of the air disaster in the Alps on March 24, 2015. In addition to being a co-founder of the Pittsburgh Fringe, Emily had worked at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival representing the Pittsburgh Fringe through Fringe University. She was also the only American invited to attend the European Festivals Associations (EAP)'s Atlier for Young Festival Managers training camp for future festival managers in Barcelona, Spain.

She was instantly likeable, passionate about the arts, hard working, and a joy to be around. The arts community, and especially the fringe festival community, needs young people like Emily with a passion for the arts and festival management. We dedicate our top award in their honor.

THE EULOGY

BY: Michael Burgos



James Street Gastropub St. Mary's Lyceum and Speakeasy

Fri. April 15 8:30 pm Sun. April 17 7:30 pm



Sat. April 16 6:00 pm

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2016 Venues



Arnold's Tea: Fringe Central

Stop by for tea and sandwiches at this shop on the Northside. Arnold's Tea is where you will find the Fringe Box Office, where you can purchase tickets, ask questions, and more! 502 E. Ohio St., Pittsburgh, PA,15212



St. Mary's Lyceum

St. Mary's is a private, Christian club who will be hosting performances on their main floor, which is up one or two steps. Parking is available, as well as drinks for purchase at the bar.
910 Chestnut St., Pittsburgh, PA, 15212



Young Men's Republican Club (YMRC)

Enjoy a drink at the bar while watching shows in this private club. The shows will be held in the basement. 631 Suismon St., Pittsburgh, PA 15212 (412) 321- 1299



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Allegheny City Historical Gallery

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http://northsidehistory.org/about/



632 East Ohio St.

This office space has been transformed into a venue for this year's Fringe!

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