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I'm also proud to support the Pittsburgh's very first FRINGE Festival. FRINGE artists and participants will no doubt add to the vitality and creativity that makes our city unique. I wish them the utmost success and longevity."

Sincerely, Daniel Gilman



City of Pittsburgh Councilman Daniel Gilman and Dan Stiker pull names of particpants out ofa hat



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This guide lists shows in alphabetical order. Each show may also have their own program.

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- If a show runs over its allotted time, it will be cut off. We are on a tight schedule with the large number of shows in the festival. Please understand this may happen.
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- No texting during shows.

#### There is no re-entry to venues allowed.



### 40 minute Divorce

Company: Cup-A-Jo Productions

Written by: Joanna Lowe, Zack Weiss, Alyssa Herron, Everett Lowe

### 144

14 & up World Premiere

About the Show: Directed by: Joanna Lowe Actors: Alyssa Herron, Everett Lowe Dancers: Chelsea Kirch, and more Musicians: Nathan Zoob, Mike Why, Jeremy Caywood, Shawn MacIntyre, Joe Stile, Jessie Hoffman, Jude Benedict, David Dickinson Painters: Find out at the show! Stage Manager: Randy DeShong Assistant Stage Managers: Chelsea Kirch, Matt DeFusco Producer: John Gallagher

Synopsis: The rise and decline of a relationship as told through word, dance, music, art.

Winchester Thurston- Library Theater #1 555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Friday, May 9, 6:20PM-7:20pm Saturday, May 10, 6:50PM-7:50pm Sunday, May 11, 5:20PM-6:40pm

### A Midsummer Night's Dream



#### About:

Join the mischievous Puck as he manipulates and controls the found space world in which Shakespeare's four mismatched lovers are caught in a supernatural squabble that will alter their destinies forever. Love, magic and wonder fill the air as dreams blend with reality in this adventurous production directed by Footlight Player's Producing Director, Nick Hrutkay, and inspired by fashion designer Alexander McQueen.

Footlight Players is an educationally based youth theater company in Indiana, PA for students ages 7 through 17. Our mission is to provide a safe and creative atmosphere for children while being able to explore the many opportunities in theater. Our service is designed to supply a theater-based education, and we look forward to helping each participant discover and expand his or her creative potential. We offer an outlet for children to explore all aspects of the theater arts including acting, music, and dance. Our workshops are taught by instructors who are professionals in their respective fields and counselors with experience in theater and working with children. These young artists learn about the arts and more importantly, themselves while working toward a fully produced show open to the public at the end of the exciting four-week summer program. A service outreach program of Footlight Players, NEXT GEN Shakespeare is designed to create fresh, bold and accessible interpretations of Shakespeare for

**Company:** Footlight Players NEXT GEN Shakespeare

Written By: William Shakespeare



All Ages

youth, performing productions for school and community groups in central Pennsylvania.

Company Website: www.iup.edu/theater

#### Cast List:

Puck| Egeus|Philostrate: Caleb Feigles Oberon|Theseus|Bottom: Henry Fodor Titania|Hippolyta|Quince: Chelsea Kikel Hermia|Starveling: Lisa Balasco Lysander|Flute: Alex Richardson Helena|Snout: Kathleen Deorio Demetrius|Snug: Matt Smith Peaseblossom: Matt Spencer Cobweb: Hannah Kate Simon

**Production Staff:** 

Director: Nick Hrutkay Costume, Hair & Makeup Design: Cheryl Randal Scenic, Lighting & Props Design: Nick Hrutkay Assistant Stage Managers: Erica Harding & Julia Snickles

Executive Director of Footlight Players: Brian Jones Producing Director of Footlight Players: Nick Hrutkay Logistics Supervisor: Toni Apryasz

#### **Boys and Girls Club Upper Theater** 6 Brownell St, Pittsburgh, PA 15232

Saturday, May 10, 8:20PM-9:40pm Sunday, May 11, 10:30AM-11:30am Sunday, May 11, 6:00PM-7pm

# A Well Balanced Madness



Company: Mad Muse

Written By: Lori Howsare



14 & up World Premiere

About the Show: A Well Balanced Madness Music by: Scott Jeffreys

About: Rant, Poetry, Storytelling, Improvisation, Interaction, Music and Shakespeare! Come for a tale of a modern muse trying to understand the conflicting modern world.

#### About the Company:

The Mad Muse is an experimental performance persona developed by Lori Howsare and inspired by the works of William Shakespeare. Some words are scripted but most are not. Participation and interaction with audience is required.

Check out the blog: http://museinspiredmadness.com

Friday, May 9, 7:00PM Winchester Thurston-Library #2 555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Saturday, May 10, 3:50PM **Steel City Improv** Sunday, May 11, 4:20PM- **Steel City Improv** 5950 Ellsworth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15232

# Allegheny Bilge Rats Shanty Choir



**Company:** Allegheny Bilge Rats Shanty Choir



All Ages Pittsburgh Premiere Free With Fringe Button!

#### About the Show:

The Allegheny Bilge Rats Shanty Choir sings songs of seafaring life, the good and the bad. We are genre-bending, non-traditionalist and the songs are all call-and-response, heavy on the rhythm, and loud. And fun. And loud. And fun.

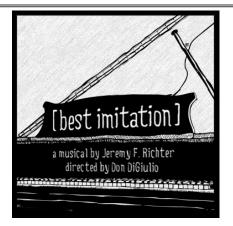
#### About the Company:

We are a fairly new bunch of miscreants.Only a couple of us a professional musicians, but we all share a passion for music. The choir consists of students, professors, clergy, heathens, office professionals, code monkeys, novelists, artists, karaoke singers and sometimes kids. We seldom present the same group twice. We bring the tuba, the trombone, and the drums with us.

> **Boys and Girls Club Downstairs Theater** 6 Brownell St, Pittsburgh, PA 15232

> > Saturday, May 10, 1pm-2pm Free if wearing a Fringe Button

### [best imitation]



**Company:** No Name Players www.nonameplayers.org

Written By: Jeremy F. Richter



18 and over

Pittsburgh Premiere

#### Directed by Don DiGiulio

Show Information: Writing a new work is difficult. Finishing a new work can be hell. With a six-pack of beer and a keyboard, our author settles into his apartment for an evening of solitude to start his new, autobiographical work . . . with its four other characters. Frustrated and thoroughly unfulfilled by their prescribed intentions, the cast ardently compete for precious pages in order to be noticed, to express their true purpose, to break free from the imitations of themselves in order to ultimately change the course of one - (or is it five?) - story.

Company Information: No Name Players is a 501(c)3 organization committed to providing opportunities for Pittsburgh-based theatre artists as well as collaborating with artists from multiple disciplines while presenting thought-provoking productions of new and established theatrical works to educate, enrich, and inspire the Greater Pittsburgh community.

Production Staff: Artistic Director Don DiGiulio and Producing Artistic Director Tressa Glover

Cast List: Luke Bruehlman, Chelsea Faber, Alexis Floyd and Stephen Zingarelli

Winchester Thurston-Hilda Willis Room (Upper School) 555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

> Friday, May 9, 8:30PM-10pm Saturday, May 10, 8:30PM-10pm Sunday, May 11, 3:10PM-4:30pm

# SEROTONIN SYNDROME

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### Winchester Thurston-Dance Studio 🖄

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, 10:20AM-11:20am Saturday, May 10, 3:30PM-4:30pm Sunday, May 11, 10:20AM-11:20am

### ComedySportz

Company: ComedySportz

Written By: ComedySportz



All Ages

Pittsburgh Premiere

#### About the Show:

ComedySportz is a family-friendly improvised experience. Performers use audience suggestions to create scenes as two team compete for ultimate comedy supremacy. This is a show performed all over the US and this is the first chance for Pittsburgh audiences to experience the fun. It's a great show for families to experience together and enjoy. Both kids and adults will have a hilarious time.

### About the Company:

Seven improvisers. 'Nuff said.

### Winchester Thurston-Hilda Willis Room (Upper School) 🖄

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, Noon-1:20pm Saturday, May 10, 5:10PM-6:30pm Sunday, May 11, 11:50AM-1:10pm

### Ferdinand



Company: Tasty Monster Written by: Heather Bagnall www.Facebook.com/tastymonster



All Ages

World Premiere

#### About the Show:

Ferdinand is not having the best of days. Everyone seems to want to pick a fight. His mother is worried, his friends are pressuring him, his inbox is overflowing and he just wants to be left alone. Inspired by the beloved 1936 book by Munro Leaf, Ferdinand takes a contemporary look at the epidemic of bullying and the classic story of one bully boy who just wants to stop and smell the flowers. Tasty Monster takes a hard-hitting look at cyber bullying and violence in our society and how the act of one brave bull can change the culture for the better.

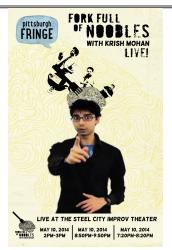
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### Winchester Thurston Upper School- Hilda Willis Room 🖑

555 Morewood Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10 2014, 10:30 AM — 11:20 AM Sunday, May 11 2014, 10:30 AM — 11:20 AM Sunday, May 11 2014, 1:40 PM — 2:30 PM

### Fork Full of Noodles-Live



**Company:** Raman Noodles Comedy ramannoodlescomedy.com

Written By: Krish Mohan & Company



18 and over

Pittsburgh Premiere

#### About the Show:

A Socio Political Satire show that is based on the Video Series with the same name. Each show focuses in one topic that is affects our daily lives and the Live show will focus on a few and will include Monologues, Sketches (video & live), Interviews and Music

#### About the Company:

I am a Stand Up Comedian, Improvisor and Writer that has been performing for 8 years. This show was started in the summer of 2013 and features various stand up comedians, improvisors and actors from the area and has a message behind each episode.

Live Cast: Krish Mohan Derek Minto Cason Male Ray Zawodni Brett Goodnack Mike Buzelli Video Cast Zach Funk Justin Vetter Brett Goodnack Mike Buzelli Tech Mary Stewart Alex Murphy

Steel City Improv

5950 Ellsworth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15232 Saturday, May 10, 2:00PM-3pm Saturday, May 10, 8:50PM-9:50pm Sunday, May 11, 7:20PM-8:20pm

# Hell With The Lid Taken Off



**Company:** Thoreau, NM - - A Production Company

Written By: Written by: John Zygmunt, Chris Gavaler, F.J. Harland, Pete Barry, Robert Isenberg, et al!



18 & over

World Premiere

About the Show: "Hell With The Lid Taken Off" is a premier monologue dramady, ricocheting from the tragic to the ribald, all including a Pittsburgh regional area theme.

About the Company: Thoreau, NM - - A Production Company is a local, not-for-profit theatre company, having produced dozens and dozens of shows, mostly original works, many with the Pittsburgh New Works Fest, including many awards. TNM produces in odd venues, and focuses on communication among the authors, actors, and audiences. Cast: Joel Ambrose Robin Beruh Mark Calla Lisa Germ Catherine Kolos Amy Lindsey Magie Mayer Christine Marie Kelly Rogers Barb Sawatis

**Production Staff:** 

Directed by: lance-eric skapura Stage Manager: Alice McAllister Associate Director/Costumier: Kate McKissock Sound Design/Tech:Annette J. LaSerre Assistant Stage Manager: Joe Mutterspaugh Managing Director: Wendy L. Rea

### Winchester Thurston- Library Theater #1

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, 12:40PM-2pm Sunday, May 11, 1:00PM-2:20pm Sunday, May 11, 7:20PM-8:40pm

### I Am Woman



**Company:** Murphy/Smith Dance Collective www.murphysmithdance.org

Written By: Jamie Erin Murphy and Renee Smith



14 & up Pittsburgh Premiere

About Show:

I Am Woman is a contemporary dance work built to explore and mirror the evolution of the female image through time. The piece reflects the role of women in the home, media, and society and how the stereotypes have developed over time.

About Company

Murphy/Smith Dance Collective (MSDC), founded in Pittsburgh roots, aims to engage audiences through contemporary dance work inspired by the human experience

Cast List:

Dancers: Abigail Adkins, Jamie Erin Murphy, Brady Sanders, Shana Simmons, and Renee Smith

Directors/Choreographers: Jamie Erin Murphy and Renee Smith

Winchester Thurston-Dance Studio 🖑

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, 2:20PM-3pm Saturday, May 10, 6:50PM-7:20pm Sunday, May 11, 2:40PM-3:20pm



Featuring The Mad Muse & Grooves by Scott Jeffreys A Show of Spoken Word, Rant, Poetry & Musie

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# If There Were Such a Thing as Happiness



Company: Kaleidoscope Collective Written By: Jennifer Schaupp



14 & up World Premiere

#### About the Show:

"If There Were Such a Thing as Happiness" is a character study of Erby, a quirky woman trying to obtain happiness. The story began with a stream of conscious writing style to get into the mindset, interests, and thought patterns of Erby. Eventually, a play formed when Erby was placed in a difficult situation surrounded by a religious man and a Greek-style chorus of her family and friends, who help her find her way.

#### About the Company:

A rag-tag group of Pittsburgh actors, writers, and directors who used this play as an opportunity to work together to develop a production based on unique aesthetics, humor, and the human connection.

Director: Michael Young Cast: Erby: Joanna Lowe Christian Man: Parag Gohel Father: Ricardo Vila-Roger Simon: Mark Tierno Jenny: Carin Bendas

#### Winchester Thurston-Courtyard Theater 555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Saturday, May 10, 11:00AM-11:40am Saturday, May 10, 4:00PM-4:40pm Sunday, May 11, 11:00AM-11:40am

### Let Me Lie to You



**Company:** Theatre Sans Serif theatresansserif.blogspot.com

Written By: Andrew Huntley, with some material from Samuel Clemens



All Ages World Premiere

#### About the Show:

Everyone lies. The truth is the world wouldn't function without it. From the bedroom to the boardroom, telling people what they want to hear will get you ahead. With "Let Me Lie to You" The lie is celebrated as what makes us most human.

#### About the Company:

Theatre Sans Serif has been active since 2009, where it first performed William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, as interpreted through the commedia dell'arte, and in that time has performed a wide variety of experimental work, across the country. We have performed with the A Contemporary Theatre in Seattle, worked to develop new scripts with the Soldier's and Sailor's Memorial Hall and Museum, and have worked closely with the Cultural Trust to perform 24 Hour Theatre (and the contract was just renewed.) Andrew Huntley has performed magic and illusions up and down the East Coast, including his personal favorite, working with the Mutter Museum of Philadelphia. Theatre Sans Serif should be chosen because the Fringe would provide an ideal venue to further develop our work on this script.

### Winchester Thurston- Library Theater #1 🐎

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Friday, May 9, 8:00PM-9:10pm Saturday, May 10, 4:40PM-5:50pm Sunday, May 11, 11:00AM-12:10pm

### Serotonin Syndrome



About the Show:

Traumatic events are beyond the range of Traumatic events are beyond the range of mastery. But, what if you could live within the memory and take control? Genevieve Taricco and Mycah Leigh Artis explore this in their original piece, most recently performed in the 2013 Galway and Edinburgh Fringe Festivals.

What their critics had to say:

"[Serotonin Syndrome] was physical and expressive and odd and disjointed and instantly illuminating and utterly perplexing and excruciatingly painful and uncomfortable and delightful all at once...We felt like human souls invited to join the ride of looking over the gate, under neon lights, at the absurdity of human frailty." Didi Craze, Edinburgh Fringe Review **Company:** Serotonin Syndrome Productions www.serotoninsyndrome.us **Written By**: Mycah Leigh Artis and Genevieve Taricco

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14 & up US Premiere

"A great example of how good and important devised work can be...a fine piece of theatre that will entertain, delight and surprise you." Kate Costello, Director of Galway Theatre Festival

"Serotonin Syndrome is entertaining, bizarre and beautifully confusing. It has wonderful highs and dark lows with revealing truths...that are at times very personal. Mycah and Genevieve have this magnetic sister-like relationship and they draw you in from the first scene. Quite simply, I loved it!" James O'Malley, Galway Flirt FM Radio

"[Serotonin Syndrome] is not an average production...both actors are hugely talented performers who use their bodies and voices in fresh, novel ways." Jazz Adamson, Ed Fringe Review

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### SINGLEMARRIEDGIRL



Company: Tasty Monster Written by: Heather Bagnall www.Facebook.com/tastymonster



14 & up Pittsburgh Premiere

### About the Show:

What do you do when you're "happily" married but completely alone? Anything you can think of! SINGLEMARRIEDGIRL, a original adaptation of the blog www. singlemarriedgirl.com, follows the hilarious antics of Laurel Spears, a Chicago native who, finding herself at the crossroads of a dead-end marriage and a major identity crisis, decides to take herself on a date...and see what happens next. Funny, poignant, quirky and cool, Laurel's the girl you always thought you wanted to be...until you read her blog!

### About the Company:

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> Saturday, May 10 2014, 1:50 PM — 2:40 PM Saturday, May 10 2014, 7:00 PM — 7:50 PM Sunday, May 11 2014, 5:20 PM — 6:10 PM

### Skin in the Game



Company: Anthony Giunta

Written By: Anthony Joseph Giunta



14 & up World Premiere

#### About the Show:

SKIN IN THE GAME is a full-length play in a single act and twelve scenes that occurs in the present time over a five-day period, beginning on the Wednesday before Easter and ending on Easter Sunday. While the action takes place in multiple locations in the USA and Ireland, there are no sets. The play unfolds on a bare stage, with its various locales differentiated by lighting and actor placement.

Winchester Thurston- Library Theater #1 555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, 10:40am-Noon Saturday, May 10, 8:30pm-9:50m Sunday, May 11, 3:10pm-4:30pm

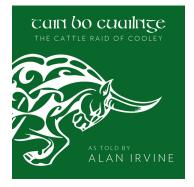
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## Tain bo Cuailgne (The Cattle Raid of Cooley) by Alan Irvine



The Tain bo Cuailigne (or The Cattle Raid of Cooley in English) is the great heroic epic of Celtic Ireland. Queen Maeve of Connaught leads a great raid, or "tain", against the northern kingdom of Ulster. Cuchullain, the warrior hero of Ulster, must defend the kingdom, standing alone against the all the armies of Ireland. Again and again, Cuchullain thwarts Maeve's attacks and defeats her champions. In

the end, he must stand against his dearest friend in a battle only one of them can survive...

### Boys and Girls Club Lower Theater

555 Morewood Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15232 Sat, May 10 2014 10:20 AM — 11:30 AM Sat, May 10 2014 2:30 PM — 3:40 PM





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# The Accordion Monologues



Company: Stephen Pellegrino

Written By: Stephen Pellegrino



About:

One man show about growing up in the mon valley as the son of immigrant parents and how the accordion acted as connecting tissue b/w the generations Directed by Mary V Shea and S Pellegrino

Mr Pellegrino has been creating trans-disciplinary theatre works for the last 41 years. For this piece he is the writer, performer, co director, musician and lyricist/composer (for the original music). Of his many original productions style form and content vary greatly. Music and movement usually play a large role, whether it is a large cast or a solo piece.

His work has been presented at the Painted Bride, Nexus and Yellow Springs Arts Institute (all in Philadelphia) as well as The Baltimore Theatre Project and the Washington Project for Arts. In Pittsburgh shows have been produced at The Public Theatre, Pittsburgh Playhouse and the University of Pittsburgh Studio Theatre, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts as well as the Mattress Factory.

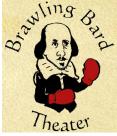
He has received grants and fellowships from the NEA, Pa Council on the Arts, Atlantic Center for the Arts, Hallwalls in Buffalo as well as the Rockefeller Foundation.

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Winchester Thurston-Hilda Willis Room (Upper School)

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Friday, May 9, 6:30pm-7:30pm Saturday, May 10, 3:30PM-4:30pm Sunday, May 11, 7PM-8pm

# The Compleat Guide to Murder and Mayhem by Will Shakespeare



"The Compleat Guide to Murder and Mayhem by Will Shakespear" is a new play written by Alan Irvine specifically for Brawling Bard Theater's inaugural production at the 2014 Pittsburgh Fringe festival.

It is the story of young Will Shakespear, who dearly wants to write plays. He can write exciting action scenes, and even string them together, but he cannot shape them into a coherent story. He just cannot come up with good ideas.

Along with the tale of Will and Essex' misadventures, the play is packed with references to William Shakespeare's finished works. Part of the fun for the audience comes in recognizing a rough version of a famous line, or the outline of a character or situation that will get elaborated into a full play. All combined with ambushes and brawls, throttlings and threats, fist fights, knife fights, sword fights and more. **Company:** Brawling Bard Theater

Written By: Alan Irvine & Tonya Lynn



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Brawling Bard Theater is a new company that combines creative storytelling with stage combat and physical performance.

"The Compleat Guide to Murder and Mayhem by Will Shakespear" Written and Directed by Alan Irvine Fight Choreographer: Tonya Lynn Assisant Choreographer: Mike Magliocca Featuring: Gretchen Breslaski Jeff Chips Parag Gohel Elizabeth Irvine Jared LoAlbo Tonya Lynn Micheal Mykita Adam Rutledge

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### The Darling Core



**Company:** The Vintage Theater www.scrantonsvintagetheater.com

Written By: The Vintage Theater



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Starring Simone Daniel and Conor O'Brien

The Darling Core (comprised of Adam & Lilith) is a somewhat modern vaudeville duo, struggling to remain interesting to the world and each other. Adam and Lilith have been together for what seems like eternity, trudging from stage to stage trying to be heard by anyone who will listen. The play pulls back the curtain on these performers to reveal the raw, passionate and terrible people they can be. Following yet another dismal performance Adam and Lilith face each other in one final battle for control of their art, their futures and their own voices. Simplistic in set The Darling Core strives to be an intimate chilling yet entertaining experience for all who will grace the actors with their presence. The Darling Core (a one act dark comedy) is a thought provoking piece which captures the style and magic of the early 20th century vaudeville stage with modern convention and tone. The Darling Core is not to be missed (nor taken too seriously)

About the Company:

The Vintage Theater is an award winning visual, performing and literary arts venue based in Scranton, PA. Dedicated to the cultivation and exhibition of original works The Vintage has proven itself a key player in the arts scene of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Independent artists from across the world, both emerging and established have graced the humble stage of The Vintage. The Vintage loves the traditional and the new, the absurd and the somber. All art is good and all artists deserve a voice.

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### The Man Who Stopped Loving Women

BY MICHAEL McGOVERN A Reader's Theater Performance

Description:

Is it possible to simply not love? Can a writer pour all his emotions into his plays and thus keep himself "safe" from love? Can you "touch" another person without feeling anything yourself? Wine or beer? Tears or Laughter? New York or Paris? One night. Four people. Answers?

Cast: JOHN FEIGHTNER, PATRICIA FUCHEL, JENNIFER SCHAUPP, RICARDO VILA-ROGER

AVA Cafe and Lounge 304 N Craig St, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 3, 8:30pm

Free.

# This Betrayal Will Be Our End-The Monologue



**Company:** Joe Medina of MERCH vimeo.com/82629612 **Written By**: Joe medina



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#### About the Show:

Joe Medina (of critically-acclaimed MERCH) tries on another hat with a monologue that weaves together a debilitating bout with meningitis, a destructive relationship, and a behind-the-scenes glimpse at his attempt to make one of the greatest break-up albums of all time (MERCH's 'This Betrayal Will Be Our End').

#### More Information:

This performance is in support of an album of mine that was released that I don't perform the songs for whatsoever. Instead, I am doing this monologue that discusses in a sometimes dark (but also humorous) manner the life experiences that shaped the record and the making of the record itself. I promise the story is a stunner Trailer:

http://vimeo.com/82629612

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# Truth Dare Double Dare Kiss Love or Torture



Written By: Tori Keenan-Zelt

www.panglossian.org

**Company:** Panglossian Productions



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Developed @ NYU Tisch Asia, Lark Play Development Center, and Sanctuary Playwrights Lab

Awards: O'Neill Semifinalist, 2014, nuVoices Semifinalist 2014, Ingram New Works Lab Finalist 2013

Cast: Hannah: Betsy Hogg Linney: Lilli Stein Maeve: Kristie Wortman Ursa: DeAnne Stewart About the Play:

At 13, Ursa, Hannah, Linney, and Maeve live in their own world built of basements, secrets, loves, and backyard ghosts — until the last sleepover of the summer. High school looms, with the promise and threat of reinvention, and the group implodes as shifting beliefs and identities collide in a traumatic accident that none of them can explain. Four years later, questions and accusations fly as the survivors revisit the scene of the "crime" and try to understand what happened, what they have lost, and how to live now.

About the Company:

Panglossian Productions is a non-profit global/local theatre company dedicated to creating new and semi-crazy artistic ventures through unpretentious innovation, experimentation, and collaboration.

### Winchester Thurston- Library Theater #2 🐎

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### Up To Chance: a dance of dragons <u>& dungeons</u>



**Company:** Geeksdanz www.geeksdanz.org



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Dungeon Master (DM): Joshua Stafford Dancer Master (DM): Ellen Deutsch Dancers: Patty Petronello, LaMar Williams, Jackie Coddington, Angelina Young Savage Players: Phil Snyder, Mattia Piazza, Aki Munnel, Drew Kennedy Music: Kevin MacLeod

Up To Chance explores the world of Tabletop Role Playing Games (or RPGs) such as Dungeons & Dragons through the lens of modern dance. As a group of seasoned Players explore a new adventure under the care of Dungeon Master Joshua Stafford, the dancers of Geeksdanz translate the Players' actions and choices into a dance that changes with every roll of the dice. Events that unfold at the game table are reflected on the stage, and no two performances are ever the same as the dice rolls direct the action and the choreography is left up to chance. The three stand-alone performances, when taken together, form a three-act adventure, with each performance chronicling another portion of the quest.

Chance games are not unknown in modern dance, with such greats as Merce Cunningham

popularizing their use in randomizing the presentation of set material. But in most cases chance is used as a cosmetic enhancement, invoked to determine which dancer takes the solo tonight or which piece of music will accompany the performance. Up To Chance takes this concept one step further, using the dice rolls to change the very choreography itself. Just as a lucky roll could grant the players the opportunity to question the surly cook and learn of a secret back entrance to the castle, so a successful (or unsuccessful) dice roll at just the right moment could cause the choreography to veer off into a completely different direction.

About the Company:

Geeksdanz's mission is to introduce dance to audiences that would not normally be drawn to it, and to illustrate the universality of dance as a means of emotional expression. Geeksdanz achieves this by systematically applying the context of dance to an enormous variety of topics and interests, and targeting performances towards the specific audiences who share those interests.

### Winchester Thurston-Dance Studio 555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, 5:00PM-6pm Saturday, May 10, 12:40PM-1:40pm Sunday, May 11, 5:40PM-6:40pm

### We Sing the Body Eclectic



**Company:** E.L.C.O. and Shana Simmons Dance

Written By: David Gerard Matthews, Alan Tormey, and Shana Simmons



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#### About the Show:

"We Sing the Body Eclectic" examines the question of what it means to be human in an increasingly technologized society. Blending dance, orchestral instruments, the human voice, and interactive computer music, we explore the boundaries between human and machine and between music and movement.

#### About the Company:

Eclectic Laboratory Chamber Orchestra: Eclectic Laboratory Chamber Orchestra seeks to demolish preconceived notions about music by presenting a repertoire spanning from the Middle Ages to present day. Utilizing the medium of the chamber orchestra, E.L.C.O. explores connections between diverse musical genres and traditions by promoting a broad range of repertoire that includes modern classical music, new interpretations of older classical works, and original orchestral arrangements of rock and pop compositions. The core E.L.C.O. ensemble consists of young professional orchestral musicians in collaboration with up-and-coming opera and rock vocalists. Shana Simmons Dance: As a dancer and choreographer, I have an obligation to both express other peopleâ€<sup>™</sup>s opinions as well as my own. To interpret and create. What interests me most is taking inspiration from the immediate world in which we are living. My choreographic expressions are created from the ways in which our society is changing, the need for intimate connections to people and objects, and giving the viewer a unique perspective, if not participatory action. The result for the viewer is hopefully an emotional reaction or a thought process about the work.

### Winchester Thurston-Dance Studio 🖑

555 Morewood Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 Saturday, May 10, 8:00PM-9pm Sunday, May 11, 12:50PM-1:50pm

### Women Say F\*ck, Too



**Company:** Pittsburgh Lab Project twitter.com/TheLABproject14

Written By: C.S. Wyatt



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#### About the Show:

Women Say F\*ck, Too! introduces Dani, Kitty, and Stephanie, young women from Western PA trying to escape a struggling Beaver County township in the early 1990s. The first play in a quartet, Women Say... addresses poverty, gender and more. The series follows these women from graduation to motherhood.

#### About the Company:

The LAB's mission is to bridge the gap between the craft and the audience through theatrical work that illuminates relevant social issues. Our artistic experiments leap from the stage into the heart of the community while providing a launch pad for new works, a creative voice for the unheard, and a playground for artists to cultivate new ideas. Directed by M. Reagle Monteze Freeland, Artistic Director / Founder

#### Cast:

Cassidy Adkins as Kitty Jackie Baker as Stephanie Linda Kanyarusoke as Dani

Developed with Cindy "C.J." Jackson, Hazel Leroy, and Mysti Wyatt

Set Design and Concepts by P. Milo

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