



HIT THE GROUND FRINGING Winnipeg Fringe Theatre Festival starts on July 19

WINNIPEG, July 17, 2023 – The Fringe returns to the Exchange District to delight audiences with indoor and outdoor performances for all ages and tastes. From July 19-30, Old Market Square will come alive with free entertainment, venues across the city will hold shows of every genre, and the Kids Fringe will host free family-friendly performers and activities for the littlest Fringers.

FRINGE LAUNCH: Wednesday, July 19 at 12pm at Old Market Square, King St. & Bannatyne Ave.

OPENING DAY EVENTS

- **THE SOUNDS:** The Fringe festivities kick off at noon with live music by *The Funky Miracles* on the Bell MTS Outdoor Stage. The stage will stay lively with performances from *Duncan Cox* (2pm), *Kim Reimer Band* (6pm), *Brandi Vezina* (8pm) and *Heartbreak Highway* (10pm).
- **THE SIGHTS:** In classic Fringe fashion, Buskers will take the stage to awe and delight with daring feats. See the talents of *Chris without the Hat* (1pm), *Hoop & Hat* (7pm) and *Flame Syndicate* (9pm).
- **SNACK, SIP & SHOP:** Our onsite food and merchant vendors open at noon daily until midnight. Choose from a variety of local offerings such as *Farm Dog*, *KYU Grill*, *India Palace*, *Nucci's Gelati* and many more. Vendors, including *Waves and WhatKnot*, *Caged Designs* and *Worth a Wink*, will showcase local artisanal wares.
- **INDOOR SHOWS:** The first performing companies hit the stage at 6pm. Buy a ticket for only \$12 or purchase a Frequent Fringer Pass to get the most out of the fest for less! All tickets are available in advance at 174 Market Ave. and at winnipegfringe.com. Keep an eye out for special company discounts and half-price performances for budget-friendly Fringing!

Interviews with Festival Manager Tori Popp will take place immediately after introductions at noon. Please RSVP to lwagn@royalmtc.ca by Tue, July 18 at 3pm.

FILMING IN THE SQUARE: Please let Lauren Wagn, Communications and Social Media Manager, know in advance if you're planning on shooting Fringe footage or broadcasting from your truck.

HIGH-RESOLUTION PHOTOS: For general festival shots and performer production photos visit the MEDIA section at winnipegfringe.com

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