

## **TICKETS, PASSES AND PROGRAMS ON SALE NOW**

**WINNIPEG, June 18, 2019** – The 32<sup>nd</sup> annual Winnipeg Fringe Theatre Festival returns from July 17 to 28. This year's festival welcomes 180 performing companies in 31 venues from across Canada and around the globe. For first time Fringers, there is a diverse range of shows to discover from comedies to musicals, dramas to cabaret and even the unclassifiable. Head to Old Market Square in the city's historic Exchange District where there is fun for all ages including an exciting line up of street performers, local bands, kids activities, food vendors and so much more.

Tickets and passes are now on sale and are available at [winnipegfringe.com](http://winnipegfringe.com) or in person at 174 Market Avenue. Tickets are \$12 and \$6 for children (12 and under) at the Kids Venue. Programs are available for only \$5 at Manitoba Liquor Marts, the Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre and McNally Robinson Booksellers. A Fringe program provides a full listing of shows, venues and other essential information to help navigate the festival.

### **NEW THIS YEAR**

- **NEW VENDOR MARKET CURATED BY luckygirl POPUP:** The Winnipeg Fringe is excited to present our 2019 vendor market in partnership with luckygirl POPUP. Luckygirl has put together some amazing street market events in the Exchange District over the last six years that include an eclectic range of local crafts, clothing, art, jewelry and so much more. The vendor market will once again be located at Arthur St. right across from Old Market Square and will feature a lineup of 22 vendors each day. (Jul 20 & 21 / Jul 27 & 28 3–9pm). For a complete list of vendors, visit [winnipegfringe.com](http://winnipegfringe.com).
- **BIKE PARKING:** Looking for a safe place to park your bike? Our new supervised bike parking location can be found at Lily St. and James Ave (behind the Centennial Concert Hall) and is supervised from 10am-12:30am July 17-28. Be sure to bring your own lock.
- **COURTESY SEATING:** Indoor venues will have a limited number of seats reserved for patrons with mobility challenges or who are low vision/blind, hard of hearing/deaf or pregnant. To facilitate easy access, we ask these patrons to check in at the performance venue ticket table 30 min before showtime.

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL**

- **KIDS FRINGE:** This year we celebrate 20 years of Kids Fringe! Head to the Red River College Courtyard beside Old Market Square and participate in free family fun from noon–3pm on weekdays and noon–6pm on weekends. Young Fringers can take part in activities like crafts, games, demonstrations and more. The Kids Venue at The Forks offers specially crafted plays for young families by performing companies from all over the world. Visit [winnipegfringe.com](http://winnipegfringe.com) for show listings. Check out traditional Japanese drumming with *Fubuki Daiko*, and rock out to *Seanster and the Monsters!* and the *Lindsey White Band* as we celebrate our 20-year retrospective.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** Local bands in our noon-hour concert series and nightly featured acts (8pm & 10pm) entertain crowds on our Outdoor Stage. Check out *Colour By Numbers*, *Apollo Suns*, *Papa Mambo*, *Romi Mayes*, *Mama Cutsworth*, *The Noble Thiefs* and many more!
- **GRAB A BITE:** Refuel with local offerings like *Better Than Baba's*, *Fired Up-Mobile Wood Fired Pizza*, *Habanero Sombrero*, *India Palace Restaurant*, *KYU Grill*, *Lemon Heaven*, *Little Bones Wings*, *Mini O's Mini Donuts*, *Meltdown*, *Nucci's Gelato* and *Sidewalk Sizzler*. Quench your thirst at the Sleeman Breweries Beer Tent and Liquor Mart Patio.

## GET INVOLVED

- **VOLUNTEER:** Be part of the summer's hottest festival by volunteering! Roles include selling tickets and ushering for shows, helping to keep drinks flowing at our beverage pavilions, facilitating fun with our young Fringers at Kids Fringe, answering patron questions, and keeping our indoor and outdoor spaces tidy. Applications are being accepted until July 12. For more information and to apply, visit [winnipegfringe.com](http://winnipegfringe.com) or email [volunteers@winnipegfringe.com](mailto:volunteers@winnipegfringe.com).

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**HIGH-RESOLUTION PHOTOS:** For general festival shots and performer production photos visit the MEDIA section at [winnipegfringe.com](http://winnipegfringe.com).

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