

ImprovVision going for the silver

Veteran improvisers are pre-gaming for their 25th anniversary at this year's Winnipeg Fringe Festival.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (July 8, 2026) — Over two decades performing together; 22 Winnipeg Fringe Festivals; three performances at...weddings? Yup, it's been a busy, weird two and a half decades for ImproVision.

Before officially celebrating their 25th year as ImproVision this September, Alan MacKenzie, Ed Cuddy, George McRobb and stage manager Audra Lesosky bring their twisted take on short form improvisation to this year's Winnipeg Fringe Festival with "ImprovVision: K-tel Demon Hunters".

So what do a wildly popular animated K-pop movie and the original cheesy "as-seen-on-TV" company have to do with making stuff up on the spot based on audience suggestions?

"Absolutely nothing," says troupe founder Alan MacKenzie. "The name made us laugh so we ran with it."

"I hope we're still laughing when little kids show up at our 18+ licensed venue (The Duke of Kent Legion) only to not get in to see three old dudes not sing K-pop," added troupe member Ed Cuddy.

Mash-ups like this year's Fringe show title are old hat to ImproVision; the "kings of short form improv" (CBC Radio) are known for combining standard improv games then adding cell phones, super soakers, clothespins and puppets to make each made-up scene even more challenging. Since constantly trying new things has been the secret to keeping things fresh for a quarter of a century – what's ImproVision planning for the 2026 Fringe?

"Who knows?" replied troupe member George McRobb. "We'll make something up."

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ImprovVision is Alan MacKenzie, Ed Cuddy, George McRobb, and stage manager Audra Lesosky. Since 2001, they've performed their own hilarious style of improv in international theatre and comedy festivals, corporate functions, fundraisers and THREE weddings! Regulars in the Winnipeg Fringe Festival, ImproVision has also performed in the Edmonton Fringe Festival, Winnipeg Improv Festival, Winnipeg Comedy Festival and two limited engagements in Puerto Vallarta, earning numerous five-star reviews and countless sold-out houses.

IMPROVISION: K-TEL DEMON HUNTERS

Venue 13 Duke of Kent Legion
227 McDermot Ave (18+ licensed venue)
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