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## **Baltimore Fringe Fest Doubles in 2015**

Charm City Fringe Fest gains national reach, expects 100% growth

MEDIA ALERT: The Charm City Fringe Fest opening party and media preview is being held at Joe Squared (33 W. North Ave.), Thursday, November 5th, 8 p.m. Come catch a glimpse of festival productions before they go live, meet the artists, and kick off the festival!

BALTIMORE, Md. – The Charm City Fringe Fest is returning to Baltimore this fall looking a lot different than in years' past. After expanding programming with June's *Nights on the Fringe* and its newly launched Fringe Academy workshops, the festival is doubling in size.

Twenty-five theatre companies are slated to perform in venues across the city this November 8-15, not including the more than twenty bands and comics performing at after parties. The full performance lineup for its return engagement is attached below.

Tickets to each production are \$10 with the one-time purchase of a \$5 festival button. The schedule of performances, along with artist bios, descriptions, and ticketing information can be found on the festival website, <a href="http://charmcityfringe.com/tickets/">http://charmcityfringe.com/tickets/</a> beginning in mid-September.

Festival performances will take place across Baltimore, including venues in Station North, Midtown, Hampden, and Patterson. Special festival events, parties, and happy hours will be held at Liam Flynn's Ale House (22 W. North Ave.) and Joe Squared (33 W North Ave).

Festival cofounder Zachary Michel is thrilled with the changes, "This is what we've been working towards: creating a festival that will make a splash in Baltimore's theatre scene." "It's truly taking on a life of its own, it's going to be a lot of fun," agrees cofounder Michael Brush.

## **About Charm City Fringe**

Charm City Fringe is an off-centered theatre nonprofit that showcases and celebrates theater and the performing arts. Through its annual theatre festival and regular educational community workshops, CCF works to cultivate Baltimore as a hub for theatre and the performing arts and expand and enhance creative learning opportunities for Baltimore's youth.

Visit www.charmcityfringe.com for more information.

## 2015 Charm City Fringe Festival Lineup (Show Title, Company, City)

BIG Comedy, Baltimore Improv Group Baltimore, MD

The Broken Record, Jonathan Louis Dent New York, NY

That Way Madness Lies, Sarah Curnoles Baltimore, MD

The Trial of Hannah Porn, Alexandra Tydings Washington, DC

August, Brandon Rashad Butts Baltimore, MD

The Soundtrack of My Life: According to Leonard Bernstein, Mary-Tyler Upshaw Salisbury, MD

*Dishwasher*, Bryan Feldman Projects Washington, DC

The Medicine Show, Gilded Lily Burlesque Baltimore, MD

The Wedding Party, 10<sup>th</sup> Muse Productions Clifton, VA

*Ebon Kojo: The Last Tribe,* Afro House Baltimore, MD

Confessions of a Theme Park Worker, Mad Madame Payne Productions Kissimmee, FL

*The Moment,* Zoo Theatre Baltimore, MD

Fatherland, Lights, Theatre, Action! Players Falls Church, VA The Video Games, MB Stage Productions Marina Del Ray, CA

Comfort, Alan Kreizenbeck Baltimore, MD

Dreadlocks, Rock 'n Roll, & Human Rights, Ron Kipling Williams Baltimore, MD

...kill all the lawyers, Jaded Optimist Productions Minneapolis, MN

Feel the Power of the Dork Side, Doctor Pete Productions LLC Marietta, GA

Broken Bone Bathtub, Siobhan O'Loughlin Brooklyn, NY

American Standard, Brian Sanders' JUNK Philadelphia, PA

Two Man Shakespeare Comedy, Falstaff's Friends Chicago, IL

'This Gonna Be on the Test, Miss?,' Ronna J. Levy Brooklyn, NY

The Taming of the Shrew, Baltimore Shakespeare Factory Baltimore, MD

*Kerrmoor*, The Interrobang Theatre Company Baltimore, MD

*Dancing Ophelia*, Trajectory Dance Project Burtonsville, MD