

## HIT THE GROUND FRINGING

The Winnipeg Fringe Theatre Festival starts on July 13

**WINNIPEG, July 11, 2022** – The Fringe returns to the Exchange District to delight audiences with indoor and outdoor performances for all ages and tastes. From July 13-24, Old Market Square will come alive with free entertainment, venues across the city will hold shows of every genre, and the Kids Fringe at Stephen Juba Park will host free family-friendly performers and activities for the littlest Fringers.

**FRINGE LAUNCH:** Wednesday, July 13 at 12pm at Old Market Square, King St. & Bannatyne Ave.

### OPENING DAY EVENTS

- **OLD MARKET SQUARE:** The Fringe festivities kick off at noon with live music by *Matt Zimmerman* on the Bell MTS Outdoor Stage. The stage will stay lively with performances from *Mackenzie Wojcik & Sam Ripat* (2pm), *Flowin' Owen* (3pm & 9pm), *Shay Wolf* (4pm), *The Kim Reimer Band* (6pm), *The Grey Jays* (8pm) and *The Main Street Exiles* (10pm).
- **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*, *The Little Eggplant*, *Nucci's Gelati* and many more.
- **NEW THIS YEAR:** All of Old Market Square is licensed! Enjoy a brew or cooler and find a spot by the stage to enjoy the entertainment. The Liquor Mart Patio and Sleeman Beer Tent will provide seating and a selection of beverages for thirsty Fringers.
- **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](http://winnipegfringe.com). Keep an eye out for special company discounts and half-price performances for budget-friendly Fringing!
- **KIDS FRINGE:** Kids Fringe has all the same great entertainment, now located in Stephen Juba Park (Bannatyne Avenue and Waterfront Drive). This free, family-friendly space runs Monday to Friday 11am-3pm and Saturday and Sunday 12pm-6pm. It features crafts, games and special guests all in a comfortable, park setting with more room to play than ever before.

**Interviews with Chuck McEwen, Fringe Festival Executive Producer, will take place immediately after introductions at noon. Please RSVP to [lwagn@royalmtc.ca](mailto:lwagn@royalmtc.ca) by Tue, July 12 at 2pm.**

**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](http://winnipegfringe.com)

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