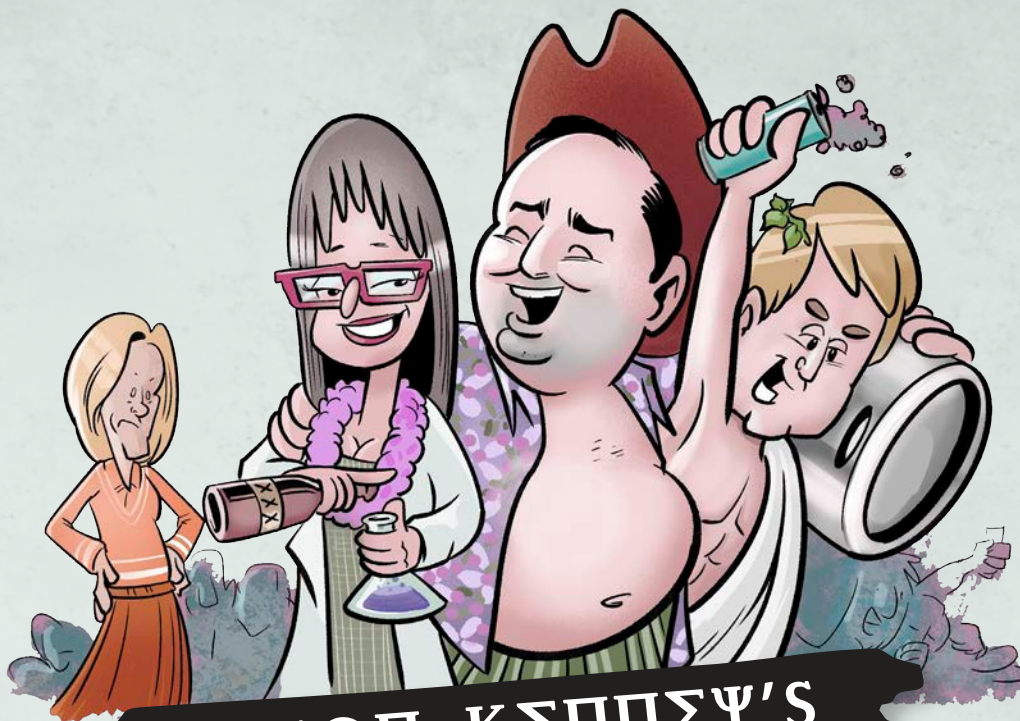


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JASON KSPHSY'S
**HOT BOY
SUMMER!**
THE MUSICAL

FINAL WAVE!!

JUNE 8-12

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DIRECTED BY: BYRON MARTIN

STARRING:

DONOVAN WORKUN | ABBY VANDENBERGHE
STEPHANIE WOLFE | MALACHI WILKINS
ONIKA HENRY | EVAN DOWLING
SARAH DOWLING | KATHLEEN SERA

SET DESIGN: MARISSA KOCHANSKI

COSTUME DESIGN: CLAIRE THEOBALD

LIGHTING DESIGN: KEVIN HUMPHREY

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Alberta



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A NOTE FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

- BYRON MARTIN



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I remember taking a sketch comedy workshop in NYC and our instructor told us:

"I WON'T TELL YOU YOUR IDEA IS DUMB, I'LL TELL YOU IT'S NOT DUMB ENOUGH."

I guess I took those words to heart. I think that running an improv theatre you can't help but develop a "yes and" mentality. And it seems you can get yourself into a lot of trouble when you have a team to support your very dumb ideas.

Hot Boy Summer wouldn't be possible without my co-writer and composer Simon Abbott. After we wrote ThunderCATS I didn't think we could write something more stupid but perhaps we may have outdone ourselves. It takes an extraordinary amount of work to write, produce and mount a musical comedy and I'm extremely grateful to the whole team for making it possible and Campus Saint-Jean for hosting us.

This pandemic has been a shit show and there is no shortage of comedic material coming from our government.

So we figured it was our duty to write a musical satire about it. Sometimes all you can do is laugh and that's what I hope you can do tonight.

It is recommended you take two shots before you see this show! Enjoy!

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU
AROUND THE GRINDSTONE!**



ABOUT THE GRINDSTONE

Grindstone Theatre is a not-for-profit Edmonton-based theatre company founded in 2011 by Artistic Director Byron Martin. The Grindstone opened its venue, The Grindstone Comedy Theatre & Bistro in 2018 and is home to independently produced improv, stand-up, sketch comedy and musical theatre troupes.

Grindstone Theatre produces the hit improvised musical, The Eleven O'clock Number, which is currently in its 10th season as well as a full mainstage season and summer festivals (Grindstone Comedy Fest, Disco in the Park and Mural Massive). Grindstone has an extensive education department that offers classes in acting, improv, stand-up, burlesque and more. Grindstone also offers free weekly events such as comedy open mic, karaoke, dance parties and trivia held in the Grindstone Bistro. We believe that theatre can change lives for the better; for those who participate in the performing arts, for our audiences and for our community.

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our venue is located on Treaty 6 territory. This land is the traditional territory of, and an important gathering place for, diverse Indigenous people including the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux, Dene, Metis and many others. Their histories, languages, and cultures continue to influence our vibrant community.



ΙΑΣΘΗ ΚΣΠΠΣΨ'S

HOT BOY SUMMER!

ΤΗΣ ΜΥΣΦCAL

It's 1983 at Alberta University. Newly-elected student union president Jason Kenney and his frat, Upsilon Cappa Pi, are planning the hottest year-end party ever (rodeo-themed of course).

But Kenney's nemesis Rachel will do anything to stop him. Soon Dean Trudeau, his new friend Deena, and even his fratmates are turning against him. Can Kenney save his hot summer party, and his frat at the same time?

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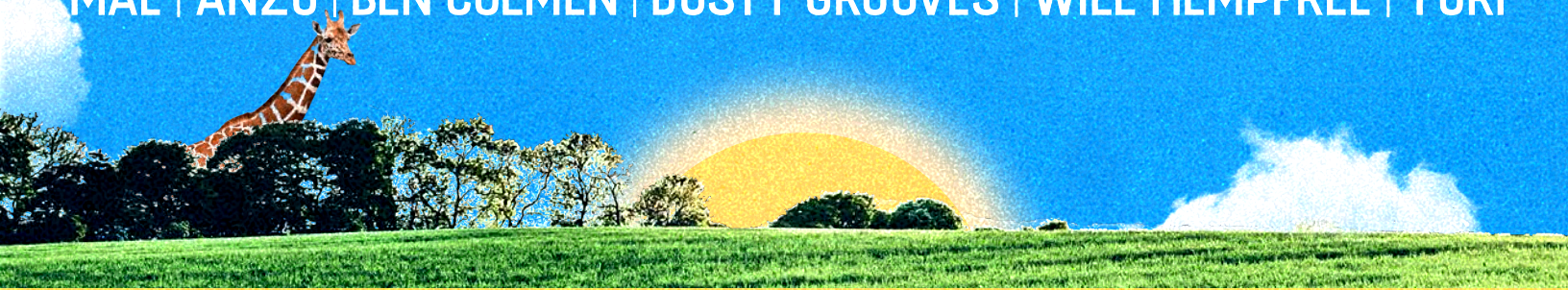
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BYRON MARTIN WRITER, DIRECTOR

Byron is an Edmonton based actor and the Founder and Artistic Director of Grindstone Theatre in Edmonton. He has been working as an improviser for the past 10 years and is the director of The 11 O'clock Number! The Improvised Musical with which he has toured internationally.

Byron is a graduate of the MacEwan Theatre Arts Program and The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland MA Musical Theatre Program.

Byron has worked as an actor for The Citadel Theatre, Alberta Opera, Edmonton Actors Theatre, The National Theatre of Scotland, The Citizens Theatre (Glasgow), Trunk Theatre, Malachite Theatre, and Theatre YES to name a few.

He is the recipient of Theatre Alberta's Community Service Award, voted VUE weekly's Champion of the Arts and was nominated for Outstanding Artistic Director at the Mayors Celebration of the Arts. As an actor nominated for Best Supporting Actor and Outstanding Achievement in Theatre for Young Audiences at the Edmonton Sterling Awards. Directing credits include Here Lies Henry, The Adventures of Chucky and Reggie and Urinetown The Musical and (Thunder)CATS The Musical (Grindstone Theatre).



SIMON ABBOTT WRITER, MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Simon Abbott is a left-handed, itinerant musician newly arrived in Edmonton.

He is an organist by training, and a glam rocker by disposition.

He has at times struggled to feed himself as a choral conductor, jazz pianist, and musical theatre director, although he is now pleased to be gainfully employed at the Visionary Centre for the Performing Arts.



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TRINITY LOCKE STAGE MANAGER

Trinity is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Commerce and is an avid lover of theatre and satirical musicals about Canadian politician frat boys.

Her passion for theatre was kickstarted through high school productions at J.H. Picard where she tried her hand in all elements of technical theatre. Since graduating, she stage managed for Feast (Edmonton Fringe), is on the executive board for the New Works Festival and is currently an Assistant Producer with the Grindstone working on all the hot summer festivals.



CLAIRE THEOBALD COSTUME DESIGN

After bullying local politicians for the better part of a decade in print, Claire Theobald has traded her pen for a hot glue gun in Jason Kenney's Hot Boy Summer.

A tireless defender of democracy who is unapologetically smart, hot and funny, her other works of artful silliness include The Grindstone Theatre Comedy Christmas Special and JOSES Official Peanut Butter.

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MARISSA KOCHANSKI

SET DESIGN

Marissa works in Edmonton as a freelance set/costume designer, with over a hundred theatrical productions to her credit. She is resident set designer for St. Albert Children's Theatre, and can regularly be found designing scenery at Edmonton's Victoria School for the Arts.



KEVIN HUMPHREY

LIGHTING DESIGN

Kevin is stoked to be working on his first production with Grindstone Theatre. He routinely designs lights around the province. Memorable past lighting designs include Avenue Q, Arcadia, and Romeo & Juliet (Citadel Theatre); Billy Twinkle: Requiem for a Golden Boy and Penny Plain (Ronnie Burkett Theatre of Marionettes); Sister Act (Mayfield Dinner Theatre); Bone Cage (Theatre YES). His designs for theatre and dance have been seen across Canada, Europe, Australia, China and the United States. He recently completed the Army & Navy Experience for SkirtsAFire Festival and is busy being an Associate Designer on the upcoming Shumka on Tour with Shumka Ukrainian Dancers. He is a member of the Associated Designers of Canada and is Chairperson of the Alberta Section of the Canadian Institute for Theatre Technology. Hope everyone has the Best Summer Ever.

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DONOVAN WORKUN **JASON KENNEY**

Donovan Workun is a 3 time World Improv Champion with over 30 years experience in his craft. In 1990, Donovan founded his acclaimed comedy duo Atomic Improv. Atomic has toured across North America, Asia and Mexico and are the first improv group to headline Montreal's Just For Laughs Comedy Festival. Atomic has been featured in several TV comedy specials and was selected to perform at the 2012 London Summer Olympic Games. Atomic Improv continues to perform, teach workshops and keynote for corporate events all across Canada.

An accomplished actor, Donovan has been featured in dozens of National commercials, TV shows, feature films, plays and musicals. Donovan was a lead writer and performer for 7 seasons in the hit CBC Radio One Series: The Irrelevant Show. Able to excel on any stage, Donovan has had the pleasure of performing live alongside his contemporaries Mike Myers, Wayne Brady, Colin Mochrie, Dave Thomas, Joe Flaherty, and Kevin McDonald. He's opened for Chelsea Handler, Paul Reiser, David Spade, Nikki Glazer and Whitney Cummings. His extensive work in film has him sharing the screen with Patrick Swayze, Tom Green, Demi Moore and Tim Curry. Donovan is currently touring the political musical theatre sensation Jason Kenney's Hot Boy Summer, where he plays the title character. This summer he is thrilled to be opening for Amy Schumer and Pete Davidson. A father of two wonderful children, Donovan calls Edmonton home and loves appreciating the city's history and exploring the beautiful parks and trails that Edmonton has to offer.



ABBY VANDENBERGHE **DEENA HINSHAW**

Abby is a Secondary Education graduate from the University of Alberta with a major in Biology and minor in Mathematics. She currently teaches Junior High at a school in Leduc. Outside of academics, Abby has been doing Musical Theatre for 16 years.

Most recently, she has been a guest on Blackout Sketch Comedy, played Deena Hinshaw in Grindstone's Pandemic Update sketches, and is in her 5th season of The 11 O'Clock Number, the Improvised Musical.

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STEPHANIE WOLFE RACHEL NOTLEY

Stephanie is thrilled to be a part of this exciting company. She is an YEG based artist and has worked across Canada over the last 30 years on many main stages and smaller theatres alike. She is a founding member of the Canadian Comedy Award winning live improvised soap opera, Die Nasty. Some faves include Angels in America, The Silver Arrow, Peter and the Starcatcher for the Citadel and Burning Bluebeard for Edmonton Actors Theatre. Recently she could be seen in The Garneau Block at the Citadel. Film and TV include Hallmark's Meet me at Christmas, Abducted, and Tiny Plastic Men. Next up this spring? 9 to 5 at the Citadel Theatre. Special thanks to Lorne, Nathan, Shaun, and the Boop!.



KATHLEEN SERA TRACY ALLARD

Kathleen is thrilled to be returning to the stage in her Grindstone debut. She was last seen as Ado Annie in Oklahoma (Festival Players) and as a featured soloist in Songs For A New World (filmed project with ELOPE). Favourite past roles include Dorothy in The Wizard of Oz (Festival Players), Cinderella in Disenchanted (Foote In The Door), Inga in Young Frankenstein (ELOPE), Hedy LaRue in How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying (Foote In The Door) and Jellylorum in CATS (Festival Players). She will next be appearing as Meg Brockie in ELOPE's Brigadoon in June of 2022.

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SARAH DOWLING
SARAH HOFFMAN

Sarah Dowling is a local performer, teacher, and pandemic-gardener. Sarah's previous work with the Grindstone Theatre includes ThunderCATS! the Musical, the Clubhouse Improv Show, and co-producing the weekly musical theatre open mic night The Schmoozy Boozy Singy Thingy. An award-winning graduate of the Randolph College for the Performing Arts, Sarah's notable credits include: Angelina Ballerina the Musical (Vital Theatre), The Killing Game (Art and Lies Productions), Production Dancer (Royal Caribbean International), Rigoletto (Edmonton Opera), Rookie Cabaret (Play the Fool Festival), Troilus and Cressida (Tiger's Hearts Collective). You can dance with Sarah every Tuesday night at Dance Code Edmonton drop-in dance studio



EVAN DOWLING
TYLER SHANDRO

You know what they say, you can take the summer out of the hotboy, but... Evan Dowling is a singer, actor, dancer, director, and producer having graduated from the Randolph College for the Performing Arts in Toronto, and cobbling together his career with everything from touring Canadian two-hander musical productions, dancing in the Canadian Opera Company's ensemble, musical theatre (male swing for Evil Dead: the Musical international tour; principle in Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, Spamalot, and others); featured singer for Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines; producing and directing digital shorts & Fringe shows with Twin Flames Theatrical Productions; and producing the Schmoozy Boozy Singy Thingy at the Grindstone Theatre. But who cares? What's important is the here and now and we're here now where Evan is the swing role for Jason Kenny's Hot Boy Summer! As a swing, Evan is ready to jump in to some roles if an actor falls ill or suddenly injured, like THAT could ever happen!? It's a joy to be on stage with my spouse (try and guess who!), and a real pleasure to be performing where my heart has always lived, the prairies. Remember, if you don't vote, you're actually voting for whoever wins, so congrats I guess! Let's get hot!

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ONIKA HENRY
KAYCEE MADU

Onika is very excited to have the opportunity to play Kaycee Madu in Grindstone Theatre's production of Jason Kenney's Hot Boy Summer. She has been active in the Edmonton Theatre scene and had recently been in Ready Go Theatre's production of Chanzo at the 2021 Fringe Festival. She would like to thank her family, friends, and partner for their continued support as she continues to pursue her acting career, and Grindstone Theatre for this wonderful opportunity. Kappa PI for the win!



MALACHI WILKINS
JUSTIN/DEAN TRUDEAU

Malachi is a local actor and comedian most known for starring in Grindstone Theatre's The 11 O'Clock Number, an award winning improvised comedy musical. He has also produced his own comedy talk show, Gabbin' With Gobber, where he puppeteers the washed-up puppet Gobber and interviews improvised guests (including Don Iveson's Evil Doppelganger, the Flaman Treadmill Man, and The Very First Rat in Alberta). He hopes that you enjoy the show and that Kenney accidentally stubs his toe every day for the rest of his life.



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