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The Astros
Access Guide



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Michael Young Theatre, Soulpepper Theatre

This guide uses plain language to provide audiences, particularly neurodiverse audiences, with specific sensory details of programming in advance to help guide your experience.

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Access Measures

Relaxed Performance

Relaxed performances are open to everyone, but the environment has been specifically adapted for those who are neurodivergent and may experience sensory sensitivities, folks with communication or learning disabilities, and people who would benefit from a more relaxed environment.

The 3:45pm performance on July 6th, 2026 will be a relaxed performance.

Pre-show audio notes will be available on our webpage.

About *The Astros*

Tensions rise in Dressing Room Four of the Bay Arena, as the Ascension Astros prepare to face off against their rivals, the Carbonear Cardinals, in the final championship game of their high school careers. Following a group of young men with everything to lose, *The Astros* is a cautionary tale of small-town cycles of abuse, Canadian hockey culture, and the violence of masculinity.

TLDR: What happens when a high school hockey instigator punches the sh** out of the rival team's captain at an underage bar fight the night before their final championship game? *The Astros*, that's what.

Run Time

55 minutes with no intermission

Content Warnings and Advisories

Please be advised that *The Astros* includes: mature language, sexist language, homophobic language, abrupt sound and lighting cues, flashing lights, depictions of graphic violence, use of a weapon (knife), implications of sexual assault, depictions of injury, depictions of blood.

Cast and Characters



EMMA CUZZOCREA plays the role of SCOTT. The fighter. A senior. Scrappy, hot-headed, loyal.



GLORIA FREIRE plays the role of EDDY. The captain. A senior. Restricted, studied, a perfectionist. A level-headed leader.



SEUNG EUN CHA plays the role of PAUL.
The assistant captain. A junior.
Domineering, aggressive, brash.



MASE OTUBU plays the role of TYLER.
The rookie. A freshman. Promising,
youthful, innocent.



GILLIAN BENNETT plays the role of VINCENT. The defenseman. A senior. Dedicated, loveable, the life of the team.



SAM DOMINGUES plays the role of GEOFF. The goalie. A junior. Silent, brooding, masculine.



KALON YOUNG plays the role of LAUNDRY. The captain of the Carbonear Cardinals. A senior. Charming, dangerous.

Costumes



The actors playing SCOTT, EDDY, PAUL, TYLER, VINCENT and GEOFF will all be wearing a white jersey with the letters 'AC' in the middle. The letters are blue, and the jersey has blue and yellow trim. They will be wearing black hockey pants, and have black sneakers with white trim painted on.

Additionally, each player will be carrying a hockey stick.

Full photos and information to follow.

Set

The set for *The Astros* includes: four benches that line the back and sides of the stage, and a door that is placed along the back curtain in the centre of the stage. A large black garbage can sits in the middle.

Each character carries a hockey stick and a hockey bag.

More photos and information to follow.

Get in Touch

If you have any questions or concerns about this access guide or planning your visit to *The Astros* at the 2026 Toronto Fringe Festival, please reach out.

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