

Company Biographies - Court of Miracles



Ken Hall is a Dora Mavor Moore Award nominee, Canadian Comedy Award winner (Best Breakout Artist) and multiple CCA award nominee, including, Comedic Artist of the Year.

Ken plays the lovable Herb and provides motion capture as the body of Pogo in Netflix's THE UMBRELLA ACADEMY and has appeared in numerous film and television roles including two seasons as, Jeff The Grey, on TBS's hit series PEOPLE OF EARTH and has appeared as a guest on CONAN. Ken is also one-half of the critically acclaimed, comedic clownprov duo, 2-MAN NO-SHOW, with his comedic soulmate, Isaac Kessler, and has had the pleasure to work for CIRQUE DU SOLEIL.

Ken co-created & co-instructs a 6 week course on creative play, aptly named, Brunch!, at Sweet Action Theatre as well as, SpeakEasy, a course that combines public speaking and play theory. Ken also teaches Public Speaking at The Second City - a course he created and developed, as well as Clownprov at Bad Dog Theatre. In his spare time, he teaches Storytelling at CB PRO and improv at The Social Capital Theatre and with The Assembly. Ken was awarded the Frank McNulty Award for Faculty Instructor of the Year 2019 at The Second City.

Omer Shamir is a writer and clown raised in Jerusalem and . He channels the complexity of his upbringing in a divided city into his satirical work.

He was a founding member of The Assembly's comedy troupe *Vermin Melville* featured on Toronto Sketchfest. His notable work includes the Bouffon character *Sergeant Sneak* which he performed at Sweet Action Theatre. Among his plays: *Mounted*, *Touching Nerves*, and *Move On*.



Oliver Georgiou is an actor, improviser, and comedian raised on the border city of Windsor, Ontario and now based in Toronto. He runs SODA Impro, an unscripted theatre company, and performs as half of the comedy duos Johnson & Georgiou and Jan & George. In the past few years, he has had the great fortune to develop multiple leading and supporting roles in new Canadian plays by Emily Dix and Kristen Da Silva, and played the leading man in *Vampire Zombies... From Space!*, a 1950s horror-comedy homage. He has become a regular headlining act at the annual Detroit Improv Festival.



Saba Akhtar is an actor, writer and producer raised in Houston, Texas and based in Toronto, Ontario. They studied Theatre and Performance Studies at The University of Toronto, later completing training with The Watah Theatre School and The A.M.Y Project.

Saba has performed at Canadian Stage, Buddies in Bad Times, and Summerworks Festival. They appeared in the short film, Lemons, which debuted at the Next Fest Emerging Arts Festival (2022). Their work has been shown at the Paprika Festival (2022), Reel Asian Film Festival (2021), Toronto Sketch Comedy Festival (2021), the National Arts Centre's Transformation Project (2021), Rendezvous With Madness

Festival (2020), and more. Saba's writing has been published in Ultra Magazine, Mann: A poetic Reflection of the Mind, and Black Solo: Volume 3. As an arts worker, Saba has worked alongside Hot Docs Film Festival, The A.M.Y. Project, and Taqqut Productions.

You can catch Saba performing with her critically acclaimed sketch troupe *Legally Brown*.

Samantha Lee is a Toronto actor and clown.

Her most recent short film "The School of Rock: Who Am I" has won the 2025 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) Next Wave 48-Hour Film Challenge. With a team of 1 cast and 4 crew members, the short was written, shot and edited within 48 hours.



Siva Pemmasani is an improviser, clown, and standup comedian. He is known for portraying Ravan in the mythology play RamLeela 2025, Toronto. In a sense, he played Darth Vader in the Hindu folklore version of Star Wars.

He performed in Operation24 at The Assembly Theater as part of the 24hr Play Fest. He is a regular performer at Sweet Action Theatre where you can find him playing and clowning.