

We All Fall Down Productions



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Fray, a dark comedy about family...and the urge to escape it.

"Fray", by writer Robin North (Freefall Magazine, The T3MZ Review, CANSCAIP Finalist), is a dark comedy about family, and the urge to escape it. Not an easy thing to do when you're tied to each other and the set – Unconventional Venue, Studio 162 - with yards and yards of string.

As the play progresses, this nuclear family gets more and more tangled and wound up in the strings, each other, and the furniture. A visually stunning work of stagecraft, which also creates some of the funniest and most poignant parts of the show.

We have two brilliant choreographers: Alireza Keymanesh, who draws inspiration from physical theatre and contemporary dance to create movement that is kinetic, visually striking, and rich in metaphor, and Maya Doherty, whose hilarious, high-energy showgirl inspired song & dance routine for mother Rose teeters on the very brink of madness! This physicality, coupled with Robin's razor-sharp dialogue, creates a show that crackles with energy, and will have the audience laughing, gasping, and wincing at how painfully familiar it all is.

The cast is brilliant. Melanie Pyne (founding member of Triple ByPass Productions, LowDown Theater Co, and Eyemagine Films) is incandescent as matriarch Rose, equal parts doting, desperate, and deranged. Tim MacLean (founding member of Lowdown Theater Co, Second City Alum AND classically trained Shakespearean actor) is repressed, sarcastic, and seething as patriarch, Bill. And Sheridan graduate Maïa Greco, brings depth and vulnerability to the sulky, and eternally quashed Meg who yearns for freedom.

Because for this family, the ties really do bind.

Fray (We All Fall Down Productions)

presented as part of the 2026 Toronto Fringe Festival

Written/Directed by Robin North

Starring: Melanie Pyne, Tim MacLean, Maïa Greco

Choreographers: Alireza Keymanesh, Maya Doherty

Stage Manager: Juliana Gennaro

Set Design: Philip Ratcliff

Lighting Design: Matt Hallworth

Sound Design: Brendan Wong

Costume Design: Jamin Daniel

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1st July 2:00pm

2nd July 2:00pm

3rd July 8:30pm

4th July 8:30pm

5th July 6:30pm

6th July 4:00pm

7th July 2:00pm

8th July 6:30pm

9th July 6:30pm

10th July 8:30pm

11th July 8:30pm

12th July 6:30pm

Venue: Studio 162

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More information and tickets available at:

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