# Company Bio – Sincerely, The Rebels Club

Once More With Feeling Productions is a newly formed company for the Toronto Fringe Festival 2019. However, all of the members of this year's creative team have worked together in crisscrossing paths and various capacities over the last 10 years. They are happy to bring their band of misfits together to present "Sincerely, The Rebels Club" this July.

#### Ivan Hutomo, Director

Ivan Hutomo is a Canadian producer, director, and actor from Newmarket, Ontario. He studied Film Studies at Ryerson University and is now working as a producer for Cineplex Entertainment, where he is part of a group of producers who are in charge of the Cineplex Preshow and all other video content coming out of Cineplex and it's various brands/partners (WorldGaming, Rec Room, VIP, etc). Ivan has an extensive background in brand and network social media creative producing & marketing including: creating the YTV Instagram account, worked with various Athletes on their YouTube channels, produced with the CFL (Canadian Football League) on their first ever Facebook live show, various YTV specials such as "Shawn Mendes LIVE", Cineplex, etc. He has produced/directed/written for various shows such YTV's The Zone, Teletoon & the Kids Choice Awards Preshow. Ivan has worked with many on-air hosts such as Tanner Zipchen (Cineplex), Mark Suki & Duhin Nanda (YTV), Carlos Bustamante (ET Canada), Rachel Bonnetta (FOX Sports), Brodie Lawson (CFL), Daryn Jones (Over The Rainbow). Now he is excited to be bringing this show to life as his Toronto Fringe directorial debut!

## Jon Champagne, Playwright & Actor

Jon Champagne is a Canadian actor, comedian and writer. Jon is perhaps best known for starring alongside his identical twin brother (unfortunately) Jamie in the hit television series "WAYNE", which garnered over 25 million views in its premiere episode. Born in Ottawa and currently residing in Toronto, Jon also has principle roles in upcoming Netflix productions including television drama "Spinning Out" with Kaya Scodelerio and January Jones, and "Let It Snow", a Christmas themed ensemble comedy with Kiernan Shipka, Shameik Moore, and Joan Cusak. Jon and Jamie also write and perform sketch comedy. They can be seen live on stage as duo "There is Two of Me" with their creative collaborator and director Ivan Hutomo.

#### Jamie Champagne, Actor

Jamie Champagne is a comedic actor known mostly for his work on YouTube Premium's action comedy "WAYNE" alongside his identical twin brother Jon and Dean Winters. In company with Jon he has had principle roles in the upcoming Netflix productions: Spinning Out with Kaya Scodelerio and January Jones, a TV drama, and Let It Snow, a Christmas themed ensemble comedy with Kiernan Shipka, Shameik Moore, and Joan Cusak. The twins have also appeared in the long-time Canadian series Murdoch Mysteries. On top of his film and TV credits, Jamie performs sketch comedy as one half of "There is Two of Me" with Jon and collaborated with/directed by Ivan Hutomo.

## Sarah Kolasky, Actor

Sarah Kolasky is an award-winning actor, writer, and producer from Toronto. Her latest feature film is *Great Great*, a dark comedy in which she starred, as well as produced and co-wrote with Adam Garnet Jones. The pair received a 2018 Canadian Screen Award nomination for Best Original Screenplay for *Great Great*, which premiered at the 2017 Canadian Film Fest and won Best Feature, Best Screenplay, and Best Performance in a Feature (for Sarah Kolasky). The Globe and Mail selected it as one of the Top 10 Canadian Films of 2017. She also produced and acted in the short film, *LIAR*, which

premiered at the prestigious South by Southwest Film Festival in Austin, TX. Other producing credits include the short films *A Small Thing* (TIFF '08) and *Cloudbreaker* (TIFF '06). She received a BFA in Film Studies from Ryerson University, studied improv at Second City, and writes and performs sketch comedy.

#### **David Rowan, Actor**

David Rowan is a Toronto based actor and writer originally from Metcalfe, Ontario (just south of Ottawa). He studied English and Film Theory at Carleton University and believes in continuing education, taking workshops whenever he can, including various scene study classes with Larry Moss, The National Voice Intensive with David Smukler and voice work with Catherine Marrion. Recent acting highlights include co-writing, co-producing and co-acting in the hit sketch comedy show, "PRTNR", at Toronto Fringe 2018, which received a NNNN review from NOW Magazine and a glowing review from Mooney on Theatre, and getting to play various roles in "Thank You For Being a Friend" (Joseph Patrick Presents) National Tour, which won Broadway World's Best Independent Theatre Production 2017. David's most recent achievement, however, lies outside the realm of acting, and is embodied in his beautiful baby boy, Henry. David and his partner, Kamala, could not be happier add this little munchkin to their family.

## Jennifer-Beth Hanchar, Actor

Jennifer-Beth Hanchar is a Canadian actor originally from Thunder Bay. She studied Theatre at Fanshawe Theatre School in London, Ontario, before moving to Toronto to continue pursuit of the arts. Jennifer-Beth has appeared as a detective on NBC's "Killer Affairs" and on US TV show "See No Evil". She's made several appearances in Toronto theatre, including Alumnae Theatre and with the comedic play "She Said Yes" in the 2015 Toronto Fringe Festival.

## Sam Polito, Stage Manager

Sam Polito is a Humber Film and TV & George Brown IPAC graduate from Etobicoke, Ontario, who has also graduated the Second City Conservatory & Longform Conservatory programs. He got his start in community theatre, working for two years with East End group "Amicus Productions" where he worked both on and off stage. His Toronto Fringe Festival credits include "Ashley with a Y", 2018 Fringe audience pick & Patron's Pick winner, "32 Short Sketches about Bees", 2017 fringe audience and Patron's Pick winner as well as recipient of Outstanding Sketch Performance award at the My Entertainment World Awards.

#### Virginia Woodall, Producer

Virginia is a comedy producer from Caledon, Ontario. Her biggest passions in life are laughter & joy, and participating in projects that accomplish those ends. She got her start with Fringe in 2012 stage managing the sketch comedy "Fringe Night Live" at Ottawa Fringe. In Toronto Virginia has become an enthusiastic member of the city's dynamic comedy community. Virginia has produced many forms of comedy in her seven years of living in the city, including "She Said Yes" in 2015 Toronto Fringe, "PRTNR" in 2018 Toronto Fringe, and "Comedy on the Water" (a stand-up comedy show on a Pirate Ship) with her production company Dv8 Prods in 2018 and returning for summer 2019.