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Sex T-Rex in association with The Toronto Fringe Festival presents

Bendy Sign Tavern

Veteran comedy theatre company Sex T-Rex premieres their **first-ever puppet show**, *Bendy Sign Tavern*, at The Toronto Fringe Theatre Festival from July 5th to the 15th, 2017.

Bendy Sign Tavern is a puppet show unlike any you've seen before. Set in Toronto's third oldest bar, The Paddock Tavern, this is not just a show for kids. It's more of an animated *Cheers* where audiences will be able to order pints from a puppet, catch the latest puppet sports on TV and get caught up on puppet politics as they eavesdrop on the bar staff falling in love, breaking up bar fights, serving rude businessmen, and breaking out into song.

Actor and musician **Elliott Loran** (*Morro and Jasp, Snack Music*) has co-written the show's original songs and will make his Sex T-Rex debut as the Human Piano Man, performing live music throughout. The puppets have been masterminded by core company member Kaitlin Morrow, recent recipient of My Entertainment World's **Honourary My Theatre Award for invigorating the art of puppetry in 2016.**

The story follows bartender and aspiring musician Joan and her love-struck co-worker Bob as they try to prepare Bendy Sign for the opportunity of a lifetime - hosting the after-party of double-platinum pop star Tim Rek! Of course, it won't be easy. Everything from diabolical health inspectors to drunken bachelorette wolves to giant man-eating spiders stand in their way, but it's nothing that a heartfelt musical montage can't handle.

Sex T-Rex is a multi award-winning comedy company (Second City Award for Most Outstanding Comedy of 2016, 2015 Just For Laughs Best Comedy Award), with six original plays and hundreds of improv shows under their cretaceous belts. Since forming in 2008 they have become a mainstay of the Toronto comedy scene and regularly perform at such venues as The Second City, Comedy Bar, and Bad Dog Comedy Theatre, where they are a company in residence.

"Comic gold" - NNNN (Critics' Pick, NOW Magazine)
"A stellar cast, imaginative choreography and non-stop laughs" - 5 Stars (CBC)

Performances

Wednesday, July 5 - 7.30pm
Thursday, July 6 - 7.30pm
Friday, July 7 - 7:30pm
Saturday, July 8 - 7.30pm
Sunday, July 9 - 7.30pm
Monday, July 10 - 7.30pm
Tuesday, July 11 - 7.30pm
Wednesday, July 12 - 7.30pm
Thursday, July 13 - 7.30pm
Friday, July 14 - 7.30pm
Saturday, July 15 - 7.30pm

Please note there is absolutely no latecomer seating.



Created & performed by Sex T-Rex:

Conor Bradbury
Julian Frid
Elliott Loran
Kaitlin Morrow
Seann Murray
Danny Pagett

The Paddock Tavern

178 Bathurst St.

Tickets: \$12 in advance \$10 at the door On sale online or by phone as of June 8, 2017

Purchase online:
fringetoronto.com
By phone: 416-966-1062
In person during the festival:
Box Office at The Fringe Club at
Scadding Court Community
Centre (707 Dundas St. West,
south-east corner of Dundas St.
and Bathurst St.)