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**Theatre ARTaud** and **Lal Mirch Productions** in association with **Prairie Fire, Please**  
and the **2018 Toronto Fringe Festival** present:

## **NEWS PLAY**

**a new comedy by Madeleine Brown**  
**at The Annex Theatre (736 Bathurst Street) from July 4 to 14, 2019**

After botching a major publishing deal, two estranged children's book writers return to their hometown to revitalize the local newspaper and save their pyromaniac cousin. From the best-selling, award-winning losers (and 2019 Fringe cover stars!) behind *Madeleine Says Sorry* and 2018 Toronto Fringe Patron's Pick and *NOW Magazine* Award for Outstanding Ensemble-winner, *Everyone Wants A T-Shirt*, comes a new comedy about fake news, exploitation and a home printer named Stanley.

The production features an all-star cast including Madeleine Brown (*Everyone Wants A T-Shirt*, *Birds Make Me Think About Freedom*), Andrew Cromwell (Second City Patch and Education Companies, 2018 Second City Diversity and Inclusion Fellowship, Sky Gilbert's *KOMUNKA*), Charlin McIsaac (*Everyone Wants A T-Shirt*), Rouvan Silogix (*Dance of Torn Papers*) and Greg Solomon (*One Small Step*, Bruce Dow and Matthew MacFazdean's *Bltch Island The Musical*).

Aaron Jan, who most recently directed and co-wrote sold-out hits *Ga Ting* (NSTF) and *Yellow Rabbit* (Silk Bath Collective/Soulpepper Theatre) respectively, serves as director and dramaturg. The production features lighting and set design from *Judas Noir* (BDB/Obsidian) lighting designer, Logan Raju Cracknell, and sound design from Scottish composer, Ross Somerville, who made his Toronto debut in Now What Theatre's *Kara Sevda*. Theatre Artaud, one of the three co-producing companies, is the avant-garde producing powerhouse of Rouvan Silogix and Ahad Abraxas whose past productions include: *Professionally Ethnic* (NNNN), *Grab 'Em By The Pussy*, *Rage Against The Trilogy*, *The Private Lives Cabaret* and earlier this year, *Blood + Soil*.

**"Exuberant, absurdist and smart...  
a great find!" -**

*My Entertainment World*  
(A- Letter Score)

**"This smart, funny, and unpretentious  
comedy about the perils of charring  
success if just what we need." -**

*Kendra Jones*

### **CAST**

Madeleine Brown  
Andrew Cromwell  
Charlin McIsaac  
Rouvan Silogix  
Greg Solomon

### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Playwright:  
Madeleine Brown  
Director: Aaron Jan  
SM: Aidan Shepherd  
Set/Lighting Designer:  
Logan Raju Cracknell  
Sound Designer: Ross  
Somerville

### **SHOWTIMES**

Thurs. July 4 – 6:30 PM  
Sat. July 6 – 10:30 PM  
Sun. July 7 – 2:45 PM  
Tues. July 9 – 7:30 PM  
Wed. July 10 – 5 PM  
Fri. July 12 – 3 PM  
Sat. July 13 – 12:45 PM

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