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CONTAGIOUS AT TORONTO FRINGE FESTIVAL

"A personal story of unlikely mentors changing each other's lives"

Toronto, ON...From the winner of Best Short Film (NYC Indie Film Awards, LA Shorts Awards, Mindfield LA Film Festival), *Valentyn Korotkevych* and *Tragical Fun Productions* is proud to present an original play: **CONTAGIOUS**. A story with dance about two strangers, with nothing in common...until they see each other for who they really are.

Adam has his future planned out for him by his family, but he is struggling. Adam has never admitted to anyone what his true passion in life is. We meet Martha, who works day to day as a bank teller trying to keep a smile on her face. But she is unhappy; working for the man and feels it is too late for her to start again. **Contagious** is a story of unlikely mentors, dreams, and overcoming fear. Will Adam and Martha ever find their true purpose in life?

Amanda Nuttall (Choreographer: Talk is Free Theatre, Hart House Theatre, Randolph Academy) was the apprentice choreographer for Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre's Bittergirl: The Musical. Director Paige Foskett is critically acclaimed for her work in New Ideas Festival and InspiraTO. Actor Jada Rifkin won the Back Doora Award for Best Female Performance at the Toronto Fringe Festival 2015. Stage Manager Madison Kalbhenn (App. Stage Manager: Factory Theatre, Capitol Theatre) was an intern stage manager for Wicked on Broadway, and recently completed her contract as production assistant for the Stratford Festival.

Tragical Fun Productions in association with The Toronto Fringe Festival presents **CONTAGIOUS**

Playwright: Valentyn Korotkevych

Director: Paige Foskett

Choreographer: Amanda Nuttall Stage Manager: Madison Kalbhenn Cast: Valentyn Korotkevych, Jada Rifkin,

Daniel Coo, Julian Ritchie

Please note that there is absolutely no latecomer seating.

For more info & press photos: TWITTER: @contagious 2017

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Performances:

Friday July 7 - 5:45PM Sunday July 9 - 8:45PM Monday July 10 - 1:00PM Wednesday July 12 - 7:30PM Thursday July 13 - 10:30PM Friday July 14 - 3:30PM Sunday July 16 - 4:30PM

Tickets:

Tickets go on sale June 8th.

Purchase online: www.fringetoronto.com

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