

AWARD-WINNING COMEDIAN JON BLAIR MAKES TORONTO FRINGE SOLO DEBUT IN “CLIP SHOW”

After winning Best of the Fest at both the **Toronto and Montreal Sketch Comedy Festivals**, **Jon Blair** is bringing his signature style of one-man sketch comedy to the Toronto Fringe for the first time with **Clip Show**, a hybrid sketch revue/comedic play inspired by the past 2 years working as a creative in isolation.

Combining solo sketch, storytelling, music, clown and more, **Clip Show** uses the classic format of a sitcom flashback episode as a jumping-off point for an absurd comedic adventure. When a series of escalating mishaps leave Jon trapped in the pantry on the day of his Fringe show, he's left with no choice but to search for a way out, reflect on the pitfalls of a life in the arts and, of course, use questionable segues to flashback to fan-favourite sketches from his extensive comedy career.

Skewering workplace etiquette, failed relationships, swaggering stage personas and even the cliches of solo shows themselves, **Clip Show** is a strange, sprawling and hilarious return to the live form from the creator of the popular pandemic-era sketch web series **Now More Than Ever**.

Jon has performed in Fringes for almost 20 years, in various comedic and dramatic plays and improvised shows. He also joined fringe-favourite troupe **Sex T-Rex** on their cross-Canada Fringe tour of **Swordplay: A Play Of Swords**, and has performed in the Halifax and Edmonton Fringe festivals with his solo sketch revues **I'm Only One Man**, **Live From The Garbage** and **I Hope Nothing Bad Happens**. **Clip Show** marks the first time he'll be bringing his eclectic brand of one-man sketch comedy to his hometown festival!

Jon Blair in association with **The Toronto Fringe Festival** presents

Clip Show

written by and starring **Jon Blair**

stage managed by **Georgia Brown**

Runs July 6-17 at the Factory Studio Theatre – 125 Bathurst Street:

July 6th – 7:45pm

July 7th – 10pm

July 10th – 5:15pm

July 12th – 6pm

July 14th – 7:45pm

July 15th – 1:30pm

July 16th – 4:45pm

Tickets: tickets will go on sale June 22nd and can be purchased online at fringetoronto.com or by calling the box office at 416-966-1062. Tickets can also be purchased in person during the festival at each venue.

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