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THE GAYEST SHOW IN TORONTO: *MEAT MARKET*

Meat Market at Tarragon Theatre Mainspace is a comedic farce with an ensemble cast based on real life interactions on gay dating apps (that shall not be named.) Written, produced, and directed by York University graduates Shaun Soutar and Alex Boese, these creative power houses have created a piece that is real, queer, and stupid. Produced under their film and theatre company, Fruit Basket Productions, *Meat Market* has been mounted at two previous festivals, York Universities student run festival playGround, and at Hamilton Fringe.

Creator Shaun Soutar (they/them) has been featured two times in the infamous Inside Out film festival with their films *This Light is my Birthplace*, and this past season, *Cherry*. While other creator Alex Boese (he/they/she) is most famously known as Toronto's very own drag performer, Nasty, having won the Absolut Empires Ball in 2025. These two creatives met all the way back in their respective small towns in Ontario, and have been able to make their connection and friendship influence their artwork.

You won't see a queer play quite like this one. Made for a queer audience, and of a cast and crew of exclusively queer creators, this show is not one to miss in the fringe.

Meat Market

Fruit Basket Productions

presented as part of the 2026 Toronto Fringe Festival

Written by: Alex Boese and Shaun Soutar

Directed by: Alex Boese and Shaun Soutar

Starring: Lucas Giannetti, Christopher Moulton, Matteo Da Costa, Eric Amaral, Becky Ablack, Martin Gomes, Gus Lederman.

Stage managed by: Maeve Weishar and Richard Sutton

Lighting design by: Maeve Weishar

Sound design by: Cynthia Cepeda

Costume Design by: Matteo Da Costa

Intimacy Coordinator: Karley Jagusic

Photographed by: Jamie Marshall

Fruit Basket and Meat Market Logos by: Bailey Robson

July 2- 5:30pm

July 4 - 4:45pm

July 5 - 12:30pm

July 7 - 5:45pm

July 8 - 10:15pm

July 11 - 7:45pm

July 12- 9:45pm

Tarragon Theatre Mainspace

<https://fringetoronto.com/fringe/show/meat-market>

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