

## ***SEXT Is Helping Us ‘Mask Up Down There’ With “Captain Condom & The COVID-19 Conundrum!”***

***A New Virtual Play by SEXT: Sex Education by Theatre Fully Self-Filmed in Isolation With Direction Through Zoom!***

Dating is back, and so is SEXT: Sex Education by Theatre (NNNN & Critic’s Pick - NOW Magazine)’s Captain Condom, Toronto’s most durable superhero! As summer 2021 brings a collective sigh of relief with improved COVID caseloads - and Zoom flirtations give way to actual real-life touching - SEXT returns with a hilariously entertaining and charmingly candid digital offering, “Captain Condom & The COVID-19 Conundrum!,” about the importance of wearing your mask...Erm, your *other* mask.

After vanquishing the cowardly Coronavirus, Captain Condom is crashing Zoom calls everywhere to save the day by teaching teenage horndogs and habibis alike to mask up - down there. Audience members are invited to ‘stomp-stomp-clap’ along with The Clap (aka Gonorrhoea)’s rendition of ‘We Will Rock You’; dance along with Shah Rukh Chlamydia, King of Bollywood; and Donald Trump hyping himself up as the “hugely incredible virus” (better known as HIV) will have you bouncing off the four walls of your screen.

The 2016 Toronto Fringe acted as a ‘coming out party’ and launching pad for the cast of SEXT when a group of teens from Toronto’s Thorncliffe and Flemingdon Park neighbourhoods, led by then-doctoral candidate and Fringe veteran (Shakey-Shake & Friends), Dr. Shira Taylor, brought their previously semi-private show to the public for the first time in the wake of highly publicized (adult-led) anti-sex ed protests. For the young BIPOC stars on a mission to revolutionize sex ed from communities with rich culture yet limited arts programming, the Fringe was their first exposure to Toronto’s theatre community. Five years, two National tours, five music videos, four national awards, 40+ media appearances, 100+ shows, 10,000+ audience members, and a pandemic later, SEXT is thrilled to return home to the Toronto Fringe with a virtual COVID-safe adaptation (even if they can’t throw tampons at the audience this time)!

After over a year without dating or intimacy for many, what better to prepare Torontonians to get back in the saddle than the hilarious antics of the beloved Captain Condom and his ragtag bunch of STIs?!

### **SEXT: Sex Education by Theatre**

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

#### ***Captain Condom & The COVID-19 Conundrum!***

Written by The Cast of SEXT: Sex Education by Theatre

Directed by Shira Taylor

Produced by Shira Taylor & Isfandyar Virani

Dramaturgy by Lauren Chang

Video Editing and Design by Isfandyar Virani

Starring Thuriga Bala, Charmaine Chang, Lauren Chang, Aleef Khan, Michelle Nyamekye, Talib Rashdi, Vincent Bear Russell, Emma Wheaton, & Joseph Zita

*Special Guest Coaching by: Elena Juatco (CTV’s JANN) & Hamza Haq (CTV’s Transplant)*

Opens **July 21 – 31, 2021**

**Tickets: Patrons can purchase tickets online at [fringetoronto.com](http://fringetoronto.com)**

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