

**Fringe 2023  
Show Breakdown**

Show or Event Title	Performance Dates	Venue	Genre	Synopsis	Suitability	Content & Trigger Warnings	Show Length	Accommodations Provided
Aliya Kanani: Where You From, From?	<b>Wed Aug 30 - 7:00pm Thu Aug 31 - 8:30pm Fri Sep 1 - 8:00pm Sat Sep 2 - 2:15pm Sun Sep 3 - 3:00pm</b>	VCM Wood Hall	Comedy, Storytelling	Comedian and Canadian academy award nominated actress Aliya Kanani takes us on a turbulent journey around the world, with tales of fitting in, sticking out and standing up.	16+	Coarse language, Adult themes	60 Mins	<b>**ALL ACCESSIBILITY MATERIAL AVAILABLE AT VICTORIAFRINGE.COM AND FRONT-OF-HOUSE TABLES AT EACH VENUE**</b> ASL Performances
Bad Dog	<b>Tue Aug 29 - 8:30pm Thur Aug 31st 7:00pm Fri Sep 1st 5:30pm Sat Sep 2nd 6:15pm Sun Sep 3rd 1:00pm</b>	Theatre SKAM	Comedy, Dramey, Ensemble Comedy	What's my dog really thinking? Let's find out. A pandemic puppy (and the cat next door) try to find their forever homes—by any means necessary. Evoking elements of Garfield, Fleabag, and Ace Ventura, Bad Dog is an absurd comedy with a heart of gold.	12+	Coarse language, Pet loss, brief suggestive dancing. Loud thunder and lightning at top of show. Loud music at middle of show.	60 Mins	
Barry Potter and the Magic of Wizardry	<b>Wed Aug 30 - 7:45pm Thur Aug 31 - 8:00pm Fri Sep 1 - 9:45pm Sat Sep 2 - 3:15pm Sun Sep 3 - 5:00pm</b>	Metro Studio	Comedy, Storytelling, Magic	From 20 time Fringe Festival award winning comedy magician Tim Motley, creator of Dirk Darrow... Real live wizard magic! Experience the wonder of world-class wizardry in a realm of messenger owls, robed wizards, and flying broomsticks!	6+	Potential audience engagement	60 Mins	
Carpet	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 8:00pm Sat Aug 26 - 3:45pm Sun Aug 27 - 12:00pm Tue Aug 29 - 6:00pm Sat Sep 2 - 3:45pm</b>	The Roxy Theatre	Comedy, absurdist	Carpet is an absurdist dramatic carpet comedy carpet carpet carpet that analyzes the carpet carpet relationship between carpet carpet carpet what would carpet happen carpet carpet carpet if carpet carpet carpet	18+	Coarse language	60 Mins	
Celexia	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 6:15pm Sun Aug 27 - 1:45pm Thu Aug 31 - 7:45pm Sat Sep 2 - 1:45pm Sun Sep 3 - 3:45pm</b>	The Roxy Theatre	Physical Theatre, Storytelling, Spoken Word	In this brand-new work, Alexa, a passionate reader, writer, and dyslexic, takes the audience on a deeply personal, thought-provoking journey to re-examine our collective relationship with words, creativity, and the fundamental human need not only to express but also to be heard.	For all ages, recommended 10+	N/A	45 Mins	ASL Performances
Chekhov Parker Chekhov	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 5:00pm Sat Aug 26 - 1:15pm Thur Aug 31 - 6:00pm Sat Sep 2 - 6:00pm Sun Sep 3 - 1:00pm</b>	Metro Studio	Comedy	Three short plays by Anton Chekhov and Dorothy Parker on the theme of marriage, not love. Comedic, dark and witty, an ensemble cast unites these masters in an exciting literary ride. From the company that brought you the 2015 Pick of the Fringe winning Two.	All ages	N/A	55 Mins	
Chiaro:Scuro	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 8:30pm Sat Aug 26 - 3:15pm Sun Aug 27 - 5:00pm Tue Aug 29 - 8:00pm Fri Sep 1 - 7:30pm</b>	Metro Studio	Physical Theatre, Dance	From the Dance Company that brought you multiple 'Pick of the Fringe' winning shows. Broken Rhythms takes inspiration from the Film Noir genre and Germanic Expressionism to tie together the light and dark of the human condition and uncover motivations that can lead to murder.	All ages	Haze/Smoke	55 Mins	

Dave and Jon's Mixtape	<b>Thur Aug 24 - 5:00pm</b> <b>Fri Aug 25 - 8:15pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 2:15pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 3:45pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 4:30pm</b>	VCM Wood Hall	Improv, Comedy, Music	Mixtape is a hilarious and interactive, 55 minute show created and performed by Dave and Jon. Combing improv and music, this show finds inspiration from audience suggested songs to preform long form improvisation scenes. This show is for people who love music, laughs and improv.	16+	Coarse language, Adult themes, Audience participation	45-60 Mins	
Fairy Creek Variety Show	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 7:30</b>	Philippine Bayanihan Community Centre	Music, Dance, Improv, Storytelling, Interdisciplinary, talk show, variety show	Learn from those who were there. A talk show plus assorted acts/experiences. Hosted by ecofeminist artist/activist Tasha Diamant. Featuring a handful of the thousands of people trying to stop old growth logging in BC. In which the government and cops are the villains.	12+	Police brutality, including sexual and racist violence, may come up. Audience participation	75 Mins	
Hot Dogs at the Eiffel Tower	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Tue Aug 29 - 6:15pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 5:00pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 12:15pm</b>	Baumann Centre	Comedy, Drama, Storytelling	What kind of parent KNITS their daughter a wool swimsuit? Or gives her a briefcase for her 11th birthday? Or hides the truth about where she came from? British comedian Maggie Gallant unleashes a Pandora's Box of hope, lies, and un très magnifique French Papa!	12+	One swear word (motherfuckers) but no other coarse language. Audience Participation.	60 Mins	ASL Performances
I Fell in Love With Moby Dick	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Fri Aug 25 - 3:00pm   7:00pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 3:00pm   7:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 3:00pm   7:00pm</b> <b>Tue Aug 29 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Fri Sept 1 - 3:00pm   7:00pm</b> <b>Sat Sept 2 - 3:00pm   7:00pm</b>	Banfield Park Dock	Drama	Michelle is a young woman growing up in a small town as a lesbian. This play celebrates the journey of queer-hood and invites the audience to the realization that "maybe things wont turn out so bad after all."	12+	Coarse language	35 Mins	
Infinity Gardens	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 4:00pm (relaxed)</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 4:00pm (relaxed)</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 4:00pm</b>	UVIC Finnerty Gardens	Drama, Interdisciplinary	A carnival of the mind: Poppy wants to win, Vera yearns to leave. When Poppy finally sees Vera, their tragic history bleeds into the present. Will a walk through the garden free them from the carnival of their past? Two girls, two paths, one story.	12+	Themes of grief and death. Audience Participation (optional).	60 Mins	Relaxed Performances
Innocence Astray	<b>Thur Aug 24 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Fri Aug 25 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 1:15pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 12:15pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 9:15pm</b>	Baumann Centre	Drama, Physical Theatre, Spoken Word	Innocence is only a fairytale on the outside, but after the tales are over, what happens to you? When you lose your innocence, who do you become when it's gone?	16+	Adult themes, Violence, Sexualized violence. Will be using lanterns, black lights and other practical lighting.	60 Mins	ASL Performances
Jimmy Hogg: The Potato King	<b>Tue Aug 29 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 12:15pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 1:00pm</b>	VCM Wood Hall	Comedy, Storytelling	The award-winning British comedian returns. "Part Rik Mayall, Eric Idle and Eddie Izzard- hysterically tangential." -Now Toronto ***** "The Potato King is king of big laughs..." -Edmonton Journal. WARNING: Contains potatoes and some mime. "He's got a wickedly rapid, bitterly sharp delivery."- CBC *****	16+	Coarse language, Adult themes	60 Mins	ASL Performances
June Bug	<b>Sat Aug 26 - 4:00pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 2:45pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 2:15pm</b>	Baumann Centre	Comedy, Drama	June Bug is an energetic and imaginative youth who loves conspiracy theories, Patrick Swayze and her granny. When her granny is abducted by aliens, June Bug is determined to save her and her home.	10+	Mention of death that is not seen onstage. Strobe lighting/flashing light dependent on venue.	40-45 Mins	

Like Father, Like Hatchling	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 6:45pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 8:00pm</b>	Theatre SKAM	Dramedy, Music, Improv, Storytelling, Spoken Word, Drag	Drag King Chaz Avery and his hatchling Gay Jatsby are teaming up in a two-being show to share laughs and tears via stories and songs about the transmasculine experience through their drag personas.	16+	Coarse language, Adult themes. Crowd work, conversing with audience, call backs etc.	45-60 Mins	
Love, Sharks & Frenching: A Hot Date with Lou Laurence	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 8:30pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 4:15pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 4:45pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 5:00pm</b>	Baumann Centre	Comedy, Music, Improv, Storytelling	Clever, sexy & strange - you're invited on a one-of-a-kind soirée with Lou Laurence that's part musical and part comedy. Lou's jazzy-soulful voice weaves hilarious tales with sexy songs to get you laughing, singing, and frenching like a Montrealer. Dating is hard, this show is fun.	16+	Coarse language, Adult themes. audience call & response style singalong possible.	55 Mins	
Moby Dick	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Tue Aug 29 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 5:30pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 1:15pm</b>	Metro Studio	Comedy, Drama, Physical Theatre, Storytelling	This "Nantucket sleighride", cracks along with all the excitement and fury you'd expect from such an epic sea adventure. From Ismael to Ahab and Queequeg to Starbuck, each of the Pequod's crew is dramatic and mysterious, funny and compelling. Glanville's Moby Dick is a great story.	16+	N/A	60	ASL Performances
New Earth Bandits	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 6:45pm</b> <b>Fri Aug 25 - 6:45pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 6:45pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 6:45pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 6:30pm</b>	Macaulay Point Park	Comedy, Music, Puppetry, Physical Theatre, Clown, Dance, Storytelling, Interdisciplinary	From creators of SOLDOUT Fringe hits Kitt&Jane (★★★★★) and Interstellar Elder (★★★★★). Time travel 5000 years into the future to a new civilization. Roam the tunnels, cliffs and battlements of Macaulay Point Park in a choose-your-own-adventure renegade outdoor spectacle. "Hilarious, invigorating, fresh and daring!"	All ages	Outdoor event. Audience interaction.	90 minutes	
No One Special	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 6:15pm</b> <b>Fri Aug 25 - 9:15pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 12:30pm</b>	Metro Studio	Comedy, Storytelling	This is a show about the childhood of Julie Kim. Julie was born in Toronto and lived with her family in an apartment above their convenience store. Julie tells stories about money, theft, weight, gender, race, bullying, and more. You'll cringe, cry, and crack up.	12+	Coarse language	50	
No Worries If Not	<b>Wed Aug 30 - 5:45pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 9:15pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 7:15pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 4:00pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 3:00pm</b>	Theatre SKAM	Comedy	The comedian that Brent Butt (Corner Gas) calls "hilarious and original," Katie-Ellen Humphries (CBC The Debaters, The Lady Show, OUT-TV) brings their signature sharp wit, playful imagination and refreshing sincerity to this new joke-filled solo show about laundry, love and lying.	12+	N/A	50 Minutes	
Oh Mother	<b>Tue Aug 29 6:30pm (relaxed)</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 8:00pm</b> <b>Thur Aug 31 5:15pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 9:30pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 2:00pm (relaxed)</b>	Theatre SKAM	Comedy, Music, Musical Theatre, Storytelling, Interdisciplinary	Momming (verb). A hilarious and heartfelt multimedia journey through the undertold and true stories of parenthood. Killer vocals+hysterical anecdotes+heart-exploding visuals from award winning vocalist Andrea Superstein.	All ages	Audience interaction.	50	Relaxed Performances
Phantom Pains	<b>Sat Aug 26 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 3:15pm</b>	Theatre SKAM	Drama, Ghost story	Constance, a painter, attempts to carry on after the death of her partner, Fenella. Haunted by visions of her passed loved one, she experiences phantom sympathy pains, unsure how much is real. Constance navigates the confusion of grief while also trying to maintain her sanity.	14+	Coarse language, Adult themes, suicidal tendencies, death of a loved one, drugs discussed and consumed	60 min	

Pico and the Golden Lagoon	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 1:45pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 7:30pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 12:00pm - (relaxed)</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 1:45pm</b>	The Roxy Theatre	Music, Puppetry, Physical Theatre, Storytelling, Interdisciplinary	Pico and the Golden Lagoon' is an enchanting adventure story about courage, new friendships, and the wonders of nature. Created from re-purposed and recycled materials, using puppetry, live music, and storytelling. Connecting audiences across generations, each show is an episode of Pico's adventures and introduces ecological and environmental issues, innovations and ideas.	Kids/Family	Audience interaction or participation.	45mins	Relaxed Performances, ASL Performances
Pieces Of	<b>Sat Aug 26 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 2:30pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sat Sep 2 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 3:00pm</b>	Metro Studio	Interdisciplinary, experimental performance	Pieces Of is a rare act of experimental performance and immediate immersion. A profound, occasionally heartbreaking story told through non-linear, fragmented memories. "A unique multi sensory experience, immersive and intensely moving." -Meg Iredale (Festival Director CBMF)	18+	Coarse language, drug content, sex work, loss. Haze.	45	
POEMS FOR GOD	<b>Sun Aug 27 - 2:15pm</b> <b>Tue Aug 29 - 8:15pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 6:30pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 9:15pm.</b>	Baumann Centre	Comedy, Physical Theatre, Clown, Interdisciplinary	WINNER - Orlando Fringe of the Fringe Award 2023 POEMS FOR GOD is an interactive clown comedy that aims to answer the age old question... "how do I save woman?" "Powerful, point-of-view stuff, delivered full throttle on the knife edge of humour and horror." - Orlando Sentinel	16+	Themes of consent, pedophilia, mentions of abortion (mild), expression of sex and sexuality, & gender.	50	
Reminders of ReconciliACTION	<b>Friday, August 25 8:30 PM</b>	Theatre SKAM	Dramedy, Storytelling, Spoken Word	Looking into the depths of tragedy Canada lost entire generations of babies in arms to uncaring institutions attempting to assimilate. It did not work and ReconciliACTION is the result.	All ages	Themes of suicide, Starvation, death, abuse, cultural destruction, Genocide, rape. Loud sudden sounds, Audience interaction or participation.	55	
Renfield or, Dining at the Bughouse	<b>Fri Aug 25 - 8:00pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 3:45pm</b> <b>Tue Aug 29 - 7:45pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 7:45pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 9:30pm</b>	The Roxy Theatre	Drama, Physical Theatre, Storytelling, Spoken Word	Loosely based on the insect-eating madman from "Dracula," Renfield sits in his room at the asylum, awaiting his Master's arrival. Told at times from the point-of-view of the insects he has eaten, Renfield's troubled past is revealed. Bizarre, poetic and moving.	16+	Adult themes	60	
Sadec 1965: A Love Story	<b>Thu Aug 24 - 7:00pm</b> <b>Fri Aug 25 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Sat Aug 26 - 4:15pm</b> <b>Sun Aug 27 - 1:30pm</b>	VCM Wood Hall	Drama, Storytelling	After finding out that her estranged father has cancer, Flora goes on a six-week solo motorcycle trip through Vietnam to make sense of their difficult relationship. Her search for answers will take her on a journey, allowing her memories to take on a new meaning.	16+	Adult themes. Loud sudden sounds.	65 minutes	ASL Performances
The Big Wail	<b>Sat Aug 26 - 12:00pm</b> <b>Wed Aug 30 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Thu Aug 31 - 6:00pm</b> <b>Fri Sep 1 - 5:45pm</b> <b>Sun Sep 3 - 12:00pm</b>	The Roxy Theatre	Comedy, Music, Musical Theatre, Physical Theatre, Clown	Bertha, a bottom-feeding fish, from the bottom of the food chain and the bottom of the seafloor, is a cleaner. She cleans everything she sees. When something uncleanable arrives in her sea garden, it's up to Bertha to get to the bottom of it.	Kids/Family	N/A	50	Relaxed Performances