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**18TH PRAGUE
FRINGE
FESTIVAL**

Prague Fringe returns for its 18th birthday!

Taking place from 24th May - 1st June, this year's Prague Fringe Festival of theatre, comedy and cabaret will offer 242 performances in 8 venues in the beautiful Malá Strana district.

As always the programme is eclectic, featuring a mixture of brand-new, never seen before work, as well as award-winning productions, hot from the international festival circuit.

This year the festival is particularly proud to present a large percentage of shows performed and created by women, including one-woman shows '**Bonnie Fechtters**', '**Mad Women in My Attic**' and '**Proxy**' (performed by Caroline Burns Cooke who is returning to Prague after winning the Performance Award last year), singer-songwriter '**Cat Loud**', Australian comedians '**Sarah Kendall**' (well known for her appearances on BBC radio) and Annabelzki with her show '**Professional Breakup Artist**'. There are also theatre productions with all-female casts such as '**Canary**', '**Where the Hell is Bernard**' and '**Where are You Really From?**'.

All shows are performed in English (broken down further into 'Text-Based' or 'Easy English' categories) or completely non-verbal, produced and performed by companies representing 29 countries around the world. Tickets can be purchased in advance (highly recommended to get the cheapest prices and guarantee your seats) via www.fringe.cz, or 'on the door' at the dedicated Fringe box office at each venue.

Steve Gove, festival Founder & Director said "It's extremely exciting to welcome audiences to our 18th anniversary year." "We've launched a new Friends of the Fringe scheme to celebrate and are giving members a whopping 18 percent birthday discount on tickets" Gove added.

Other benefits of being a Friend of the Fringe include priority access to the venues to get the best seats in the house, discounts on Fringe eateries and more.

NOTES TO EDITORS

The Prague Fringe Festival is now in its 18th year and is based on the format of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe which was started 62 years ago as an alternative to the programme of the main Festival event. Each year over 250 Fringe Festivals across the globe showcase hundreds of thousands of artists and performers. 19 million people see approximately 170 thousand performers in 60,000 free and ticketed events. Productions tend to be short (often around an hour) and held in alternative, often smaller and more intimate venues rather than traditional theatre spaces.

18th Prague Fringe Festival

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Tickets and info: www.praguefringe.cz

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