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THE COMEDY PIGS 20th ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

20TH ANNIVERSARY SHOWS: August 23 & 24 @ 8pm

FREDERICK, MD (Aug. 4, 2013) - The Comedy Pigs, Maryland Ensemble Theatre's (MET) hilarious sketch and improv group, will celebrate 20 years of laughter with shows on August 23 and 24 at 8pm. About the **20th Anniversary Weekend** MET's **Artistic Director** and original Pig **Tad Janes** said, "20 years! It's incredible... something that started in the living room of an apartment on Church Street now has a theatre space and has lasted this long!" On April 3, 1993 in the back room of **Olde Town Tavern** on **Market Street**, The Comedy Pigs troupe debuted in front of a packed house of 106 ticket holders. Since then, the Pigs have written hundreds of sketches and songs, played over 500 performances, and have had over 40 people call themselves "Pigs."

Returning for the 20th Anniversary Weekend will be original trope members **Lincoln Wilson** (Charleston, S.C.), **Amy Hagood** (Alexandria), **Genè and Randy Fouchè**, and **Tad Janes**. "We might get 100% of the originals", said Janes. Other long time Pigs that will be returning are **Rona Mensah**, **Joel Bowers**, **Scott Striffler** (Cleveland), **Tom Majaraov**, and **Wendy Donnigian** (Baltimore). The performances will include classic sketches like "Weiner Dog", which was featured on **Comedy Central**, The Dill Bread sketch, "Imperial World", and songs like "Interjection" and "People in Your Neighborhood".

"It's such a reunion! Playing sketches when you haven't seen these people in years, and really getting a chance to hang out together is the biggest benefit, if the audience has half as much fun as us then they're going to be glad they came out.", said Janes.

The Anniversary shows on August 23 and 24 will take place at 8pm at the Maryland Ensemble Theatre (31 W Patrick St.), located downtown in the historic FSK Hotel. Tickets are \$21.50 (all fees included) and may be purchased online at marylandensemble.org, by phone at (301) 694-4744 or in person at the MET box office.

COMEDY PIGS INFORMATION

Where: Maryland Ensemble Theatre, 31 West Patrick Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701

When: August 23 & 24 @ 8PM

Ticket Prices: \$21.50 (Ticket price includes \$1.50 service fee.)

Box Office: 301-694-4744 or marylandensemble.org or at the MET (Tuesday - Thursday 10am - 3pm, Friday 11am - 3pm and 1 hour before each show.)