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THE COMEDY PIGS' 2ND ANNUAL 20th ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

FREDERICK, MD (Aug. 18, 2014) - The Comedy Pigs, Maryland Ensemble Theatre's (MET) hilarious sketch and improv group, will celebrate 21 years of laughter with their "2nd Annual 20th Anniversary Weekend" on August 29 and 30 at 8pm.

The Comedy Pigs turned "legal" this year at 21! On April 3, 1993 in the back room of **Olde Town Tavern** on Market Street The Comedy Pigs debuted in front of a packed house of 106 tickets holders. Just two years later **Comedy Central** picked up their music video "Wiener Dog", a parody of the **Beatles** song "Blackbird" by one of the troupes stock characters **The Traveling Dinglebury's**. Since then, the Pigs have written hundreds of sketches and songs, played over 500 performances, and have had over 40 people call themselves "Pigs."

About the **2ND Annual 20th Anniversary Weekend** MET's **Artistic Director** and original Pig **Tad Janes** said, "We've got some great old sketches we are dusting off, and we have a whole slew of new piggies to feature in our improv section! It's always such fun, to pull in Comedy Pigs from ten plus years ago and get them on-stage with Pigs who have only been with the company for a year or less. We always have such an instant connection."

At the anniversary shows classic sketches like "Dillbread" and songs like "Interjection" and "Wiener Dog" will line up along side of the funniest improv scenarios. The shows will take place on August 29 and 30 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 29 & 30 @ 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.)