

Something for Everyone: The 16th Prague Fringe Festival Embraces Diversity and Family-Friendly Entertainment

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Prague's 16th annual Fringe Festival opens this Friday night! With more than 50 different theatre companies from all over the world – from Norway to the USA, Scotland to Switzerland, and many more – tackling a range of genres and topics, the programme truly has something for every audience.

There's **lots of great comedy** hitting stages around Malá Strana. **Pivo & Beer Comedy** offer shows in **easy English** that are "**Rude, Sarcastic, Offensive, Misanthropic, Sexy & Funny.**" **Zach & Viggo**, an American and Norwegian comedy duo, won the **Best Comedy Award** from the Brighton Fringe. And Broadway Baby promises that comedian **Sajeelah Kershi**, "will leave you in hysterics."

Gender and LGBTQ+ issues are a hot topic in today's cultural landscape. Discussions and experiences play a role in Fringe shows through a variety of cultural lenses this year, like **Ireland's *Redpill: A Nice Guy's Lament***, **Australia's *Committed to Mediocrity***, **America's *Johnny Darlin: In the Closet***, and **No More Miss America** from England.

This year's festival also remains committed to making events accessible for families, including a new **Family Fringe showcase event**. La Loca Bar & Lounge (at Mosaic House) hosts this **one-hour preview of kids shows, filled with bubbles, puppets, clowns and more, on Saturday 27th May from 3pm, including free entry**. Programme listings at **praguefringe.com** also include guidance on shows that are **appropriate for teens 14+** or those meant for more **adult audiences 18+**.

The Fringe Sunday marketplace, a fast-paced, **one-minute preview** of many of the 50 shows is another way to get a sneak peek at multiple shows. This event on Sunday 28th May from 2.30pm at Mosaic House is also **free of charge**.

"The Prague Fringe is a heady mix of theatre, comedy, music, dance, storytelling and good times at venues across the Malá Strana district of Prague," says festival founder Steve Gove. "Shows run from late afternoon into the night, and the after-parties continue into the early hours for those who have the stamina. This annual extravaganza is an experience you will never forget."

16th Prague Fringe festival

Friday 26th May – Saturday 3rd June

9 days, 50 productions, 236 performances

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