

## MEDIA RELEASE

### *The Play That Goes Wrong* swings into action on the Shoctor Stage this July

June 4, 2024

**Edmonton, Alberta** - This Olivier Award-winning comedy plays this summer with never-ending laughs and comedic chaos.

After the success of our production of *Peter Pan Goes Wrong* in 2022, we are thrilled to present Mischief Theatre's original production in the "Goes Wrong" series, *The Play That Goes Wrong* by **Henry Lewis, Henry Shields** and **Jonathan Sayer**. This show follows The Cornley Drama Society putting on a 1920s murder mystery, but as the title suggests, everything that can go wrong... does! The accident-prone thespians battle against all odds to make it through to their final curtain call, with hilarious consequences! It's total mayhem and guaranteed laughter in this madcap farce about a play within a play.

Award-winning Canadian Director **Dennis Garnhum**, former Artistic Director at Theatre Calgary and the Grand Theatre (London), returns to Alberta to direct this production. The Citadel's production team is already hard at work building the incredibly complex set (full of surprises!) designed by Edmonton's own, **Beyata Hackborn** (*Little Shop of Horrors*).

Produced in collaboration with **Theatre Calgary** and the **Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre**, the ensemble features talented artists hailing from Edmonton, Winnipeg and Calgary, including local favourites: **John Ulliyatt** (*Christmas Carol, Little Shop of Horrors*), **Andrew MacDonald-Smith** (*Peter Pan Goes Wrong, Mary Poppins*), and **Alexander Ariate** (*Three Musketeers, The Importance of Being Earnest*).

*The Play That Goes Wrong* plays in the Shoctor Theatre from July 6 - August 4, 2024. Tickets are available now at 780.425.1820 through our Box Office or at [citadeltheatre.com](http://citadeltheatre.com). Single tickets to the rest of the 2024/25 Season go on sale July 4, 2024.

Pay What You Choose, presented by Alberta Blue Cross, happens July 7, 2024. More information can be found at [www.citadeltheatre.com](http://www.citadeltheatre.com).

Production photos will be available by Tuesday, July 9, 2024.

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#### CAST

Alexander Ariate

Jonathan

Vanessa Jette	Sandra
Andrew MacDonald-Smith	Max
Emily Meadows	Stage Crew
Bernardo Pacheco	Stage Crew
Honey Pham	Annie
Joel Schaefer	Robert
Ray Strachan	Trevor
Daniela Vlaskalic	Krista
John Ulyatt	Dennis

## **CREATIVE TEAM**

Dennis Garnhum	Director
Beyata Hackborn	Set and Props Designer
Joseph Abetria	Costume Designer
Dave Pierce & Donovan Seidle	Sound Designer
Kimberly Purtell	Lighting Designer
Morgan Yamada	Movement Director
Daniel Fong	Assistant Director
Michael Duggan	Stage Manager
Lore Green	Assistant Stage Manager
Charlotte Braid	Apprentice Stage Manager

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