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**Alex Karpovsky (HBO's *GIRLS*)
Screens TJ & Dave Documentary
At Unscripted New York Theatre Festival**

Unscripted New York Improvised Theatre & Film Festival is proud to host **Alex Karpovsky** after a screening of the feature film he directed, "**Trust Us... This is All Made Up**," a documentary on **TJ & Dave**, as part of our celebration of improvised theatre and film. **The 2nd Annual Unscripted New York Improvised Theatre & Film Festival will run in Midtown, NYC, May 29 – June 2, 2013 at Theatre 54, 244 West 54th Street (12th Floor).** Mr. Karpovsky will help close out the Festival on **Sunday, June 2nd**, with his appearance at Unscripted New York's celebration of improvised film—a selection of fully-improvised short videos, including an **Unscripted New York Digital Short** that will be created, cast, shot without a script, and edited, entirely during the festival. "**Trust Us... This is All Made Up**" captures the popular improvised theatre of **TJ Jagodowski** and **David Pasquesi**, who have become living legends in improvised theatre, described by [The New York Times](#) as a "creative tour de force, an intellectual high-wire act as astonishing as it is entertaining." Alex will share his take on improvised theater and film in a Q&A immediately following. As an actor, Alex currently plays the role of **Ray Ploshansky** in the HBO comedy series **GIRLS** and will appear as **Marty Green** in the upcoming **Coen Brothers** film, **Inside Llewyn Davis**. As a filmmaker, Alex has gained praise for several films, such as [Red Flag](#), a partly improvised road film out this year through **Tribeca Film**.

Showcasing more than 100 performers in a 5-day festival of improvised theatre shows, films, workshops, parties, and more, **Unscripted New York** celebrates artists who work without a script and create their art and tell their stories entirely in the moment. Unscripted New York is a member-initiated production of **Artistic New Directions**, who is proud to once again sponsor this festival and shine a spotlight on quality improvised theatre, like returning 2012 Fest Favorite, **Shackled**, featuring [Dion Flynn](#) (**Late Night with Jimmy Fallon**). This year, new improvised shows from across the U.S. will join Unscripted New York, such as the improvised pulp hero anthology, **Strange Worlds, from Austin, TX**, and **Storybox**, an improvised character journey **from Chicago**. Unique local alternative theatre abounds in the Festival, such as **Upton Abbey**, an improvised TV show within a live show, and a with a nod to **Downton Abbey**, of course. Unscripted New York will also offer improvised theatre workshops by nationally-known acting instructors, such as **Michael J. Gellman**, from Chicago's **Second City**, who will lead a scenic improvisation workshop that culminates in a Festival performance by participants.

Special Thanks to Smuttynose Brewing Company for donating quality craft beer to be enjoyed by audiences at Unscripted New York!

**Unscripted New York Improvised Theatre & Film Festival
MAY 29 – JUNE 2, 2013 at Theatre 54, 244 W. 54th St. (12th Floor), New York, NY**

About AND: [Artistic New Directions \(AND\)](#) is an arts organization (a 501(c) 3 not-for-profit company) that supports performing artists, writers, directors and their projects from inspiration to production. **Contributions to the Unscripted New York Improvised Theatre & Film Festival and to Artistic New Directions are tax deductible according to law.**

Unscripted New York is a 5-day celebration of improvised theatre & film that seeks to tell a story. The festival will feature workshops and events to bring a higher respect and awareness to the art form and artists involved. Visit our website [Unscripted New York website](#), [our Facebook page](#), our [Tumblr](#), and our [Twitter](#) for evolving updates.