

IMPROVISED THEATRE FESTIVA

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Artistic New Directions presents
Unscripted New York
Improvised Theatre & Film Festival
Showcasing fully improvised, narrative works
May 29 through June 2, 2013

The 2nd Annual Unscripted New York Improvised Theatre & Film Festival will run in Midtown, NYC, May 29 – June 3, 2013 at Theatre 54, 244 West 54th Street (12th Floor). Showcasing more than 100 performers in a 5-day festival of improvised theatre and film, this member-initiated project is produced by Artistic New Directions and will also feature workshops with renown teachers from across the country, host open jams for improv actors, and produce a digital short, from conception to screening, entirely during the festival.

Artistic New Directions is proud to once again sponsor the Unscripted New York festival and shine a spotlight on quality improvised theatre, like 2012 Fest Favorites: **Centralia**, **The Scene, North Coast**, and **Shackled**. This year, new improvised shows from across the country will join the roster, such as **Storybox Unscripted Theatre**, uniting Chicago and New York improvisational actors in a show format that will be taught again at this year's festival by **Jonathan Pitts**, co-founder and producer of the celebrated Chicago Improv Festival and creator of Storybox Theatre. Also returning to Unscripted New York will be nationally-known theatre instructors, including **Michael J. Gellman**, from Chicago's Second City and winner of a 2012 National INNY award for Best Instructor, and **Rachel Hamilton**, a former Chicago Second City alumni and guest instructor at the Magnet Theater in New York City.

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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 that seeks to tell a story. The festival will feature workshops, events, and films, to widen the community of existing improvisational theater and bring a higher respect and awareness to the art form and artists involved. Visit our website <u>Unscripted New York website</u>, <u>our Facebook page</u>, our <u>Tumblr</u>, and our <u>Twitter</u> for evolving updates.