



For immediate release: June 9, 2003
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IT'S A HIT! And with SARS madness it's just what Toronto needs ... "a happy, zappy, sexy show" (Richard Ouzounian, Toronto Star)

TOP GUN! THE MUSICAL

Singing, Satire, Subtext...All at Mach 3!

The TG!TM Co-op is thrilled that the critics agree - ***Top Gun! The Musical*** is still an absolute hoot. **Top Gun! The Musical plays from June 4 to June 22, 2003 in the Factory Theatre Mainspace.**

★★★★ "Top Gun! The Musical **has the right musical stuff...** It's hours after the curtain, and I'm still humming the final number, "You Can Ride My Tail." When's the last time that happened at a Canadian musical." - Richard Ouzounian - Toronto Star

★★★★ "Top Notch! ... an unabashedly cliché-ridden script, enlivened by plenty of laughs and a score that ranges from the sublime to the ridiculous, although it is, in the main, just **sublimely ridiculous**" – John Coulbourn, Toronto Sun

★★★ "Set backstage during the disastrous rehearsals for an adaptation of that 1986 Tom Cruise movie, *Top Gun!* is a satire of the mega-musical that **has its target firmly in its sights**" – Kate Taylor, Globe and Mail

For anyone who's ever cringed through *Cats*, felt the need for speed or wondered, "who thought THAT would be a good idea?", comes this new satirical musical. Set in a ramshackle rehearsal hall, writer Billy Palmer is about to crash and burn. His musical adaptation of *Top Gun!* is going off the rails and Billy really needs a hit after the debacle of *Apocalypse Wow!* Instead he's saddled with a quarrelling cast, a shady ex-Navy Seal producer and a bit of bad luck. Now if only everyone would stop singing!

Top Gun! The Musical was the most successful show in the history of the Toronto Fringe, beating the box office mark set by *The Drowsy Chaperone* three years ago, playing to sellout crowds and unanimously good reviews.

Top Gun! The Musical's website (including press photos and bios) is at www.topgunthemusical.com

TG!TM Co-op presents TOP GUN! THE MUSICAL

Regular Times/Prices: Tuesday-Thursday @ 8pm: \$20 / Friday @ 8 pm: \$25 / Saturday @ 8 pm: \$30 /

**BRING YOUR WINGMAN! Late night Saturday Show @ 10:30 pm: \$30 –
special two-for-one offer on June 14 at 10:30 pm**

Sunday @ 2 pm: Pay What You Can at the door, \$15 in advance

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