



TOP GUN!

THE MUSICAL

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***Top Gun! The Musical* Lands in Toronto for 2 Shows Only T.O. Warm-up Performances immediately prior to New York Premiere**

(TORONTO)...The *TG!TM Coop* is thrilled to announce that immediately prior to its New York Premiere on September 27, 2004, ***Top Gun! The Musical*** will play 2 warm-up performances in Toronto, at the **Robert Gill Theatre** (214 College Street at St. George) on **Friday, September 24 and Saturday, September 25 at 8 pm**. Tickets are \$20 and available now by calling the Box Office at **416.978.7986**.

Top Gun! The Musical has been selected to participate as part of the prestigious **New York Musical Theater Festival** (NYMF) with performances in New York from September 27 to October 3, 2004. It will be performed at The 47th Street Theatre, 304 West 47th Street and 8th Avenue, a 196-seat theatre right in the heart of New York's Theatre District. The NYMF schedule for ***Top Gun! The Musical*** is as follows: Monday, Sept 27 at 8pm; Thursday, Sept 30 at 4:30pm; Friday, Oct 1 at 8pm; Saturday, Oct 2 at 4:30pm and 11pm; Sunday, Oct 3 at 1pm. Tickets are priced at US\$15 - \$20 (passes available) and can be purchased at www.nymf.org or call in New York at 212-352-3101.

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. Writer Billy Palmer's 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! Singing. Satire. Subtext. All at Mach 3! If you see only one musical comedy about mounting a mega-musical, make it ***Top Gun! The Musical***. You'll laugh. You'll hum. You'll believe a jet can fly!

Top Gun! The Musical is written by **Denis McGrath** with music by **Scott White** and is directed by **Colin Viebrock**. The Toronto Warm-Up and New York Production will feature most of the original Toronto cast, including **Dmitry Chepovetsky, David Collins, Steven Gallagher, Alison Lawrence** and **Racheal McCaig**. New cast members are **Sharon Heldt** and **Brett McCaig**. ***Top Gun! The Musical*** premiered at the 2002 Toronto Fringe Festival (and remains the most successful production in Toronto Fringe history), had its US Premiere in November, 2002 at Theater Lab Houston and was remounted in Toronto at the Factory Theatre in June, 2003, leading to Dora nominations for Outstanding New Musical and Outstanding Performance for Chepovetsky.

TG!TM's Website (including press photos & bios): www.topgunthemusical.com

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