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FuzzyCo.com presents **Armando Diaz' Eventé**January 5 to February 16, 2002

Saturdays at 10:30 PM

WNEP Theater, 3209 N. Halsted St., Chicago Tickets \$10.00

For reservations call (773) 755-1693

Chicago, IL - FuzzyCo presents their first production of 2002, **Armando Diaz' Eventé**, beginning Saturday, January 5 at the WNEP Theater for a seven-week run through February 16. An hour-long improvised piece, **Eventé** brings together an experienced cast of Chicago improvisors with director Armando Diaz for a dramatic experience that is both funny and emotionally honest.

**Eventé** explores the causes and repercussions of the events in people's lives. Originating from a suggestion from the audience of an everyday event, cast members create characters that focus on the circumstances leading up the event and the impact the event has on their future.

Director Armando Diaz, formerly of Chicago, is a comedy/improv director, writer, and instructor. His work has been seen in Chicago at the Annoyance Theater, Second City, and includes the long running *The Armando Diaz Experience* at the ImprovOlympic. Diaz spent two seasons writing for the sketch comedy show *The Upright Citizens Brigade* for Comedy Central. He has directed numerous stage shows in New York, including the hugely popular *Marooned*, *Two Irish Jerks* and the cult-hit *Perverts*. He currently resides in New York where he teaches improv and sketch comedy and is a founding member of Leché Magica, a guerilla comedy video movement.

The cast of **Eventé** includes Patrick Brennan, Laurel Coppock, Dina Facklis, Fuzzy Gerdes, Shaun Himmerick, Elizabeth McNaughton, Phillip Mottaz, Rob Smith, Nancy Howland Walker, Zach Ward, and Julia Wolfe. Members of the cast have been involved in various other comedy and improv productions in Chicago such as *The Armando Diaz Experience*, Bare, *Dinner for Six*, *Musical The Musical*, *Postmortem*, Shiela, SuperPunk and *55 Minutes of Malice*.

**Eventé** plays on Saturdays at 10:30 PM from January 5 through February 16 at the WNEP Theatre located at 3209 N. Halsted Street. Tickets are \$10.00 general admission. Reservations may be made by calling the WNEP Theater box office at (773) 755-1693 or at the theatre the night of performance.

Interviews, photos, and other press materials are available upon request or may be downloaded from the FuzzyCo website at: http://www.fuzzyco.com/productions/evente/pressinfo



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#### Armando Diaz' Eventé fact sheet

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WHERE: WNEP THEATER, 3209 N. Halsted St., Chicago

WHEN: Press opening January 5

Runs Saturdays January 5-February 16 at 10:30 PM

**TICKETS:** \$10.00

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CAST: Patrick Brennan, Laurel Coppock, Dina Facklis, Fuzzy Gerdes, Shaun Himmerick,

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Directed by Armando Diaz

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About Armando Diaz, the Director

Chicago improv legend Armando Diaz has collaborated and directed improv in Chicago at the Improv Olympic, The Second City Training Center and with Mick Napier of the Annoyance Theater. After years of success with stage shows in Chicago he moved to New York City. In New York he had hit shows such as the wildly popular Marooned, Two Irish Jerks and the cult-hit Perverts.

In New York, Armando spent two seasons as the head writer for the sketch comedy show, The Upright Citizens Brigade on Comedy Central. He currently lives in New York where he teaches improv and sketch comedy and is a founding member of Leché Magica, a guerilla comedy video movement, as well as still being one of the main instructors and directors for the Upright Citizens Brigade Theater.

Armando is excited to be coming home to Chicago for an intensive rehearsal session to direct this production of Eventé.