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SEXY LAUNDRY READING TO HEAT UP ARTS CLUB STAGE LATER THIS MONTH

IN BRIEF The Arts Club presents **SPACED OUT!** on **August 22 and 23**, featuring ***Sexy Laundry* by Michele Riml**, at the **Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre**. In-person (\$150) and digital stream (\$20) tickets are available at artsclub.com

VANCOUVER, B.C. (August 14, 2020)—Local playwright **Michele Riml** is bringing her popular romantic comedy, ***Sexy Laundry***, back to the Arts Club Theatre Company as part of the SPACED OUT! fundraising series.

On Saturday, August 22, and Sunday, August 23, the Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre will welcome an audience of 50 patrons per night to enjoy the latest instalment in the Arts Club's summer fundraising series. The event will feature a live reading of the play by actors **Susinn McFarlen** and **David Adams**, followed by an exclusive Q&A with Riml and original director **Andrew Mcllroy**.

The reading will also be recorded. Digital ticket buyers will receive a link at 7:30 PM on Saturday, August 22, which they may view at any time over a 48-hour period. Proceeds from the digital stream will support new play development during the Arts Club's next season.

Sexy Laundry made its debut at the Vancouver International Fringe Festival in 2002 before gracing the Arts Club stage in 2004. Since then, it has performed across the globe and been translated into multiple languages. Much of Riml and Mcllroy's post-show discussion will explore how the play has evolved over the last 18 years.

"This sweet and hilarious play holds a special place in my heart, as well as in the hearts of many at the Arts Club," said Artistic Director **Ashlie Corcoran**. "We're thrilled to be able to share it with an audience once again, whether they're experiencing it live in our theatre or tuning in from home."

The event will adhere to safety guidelines established by the BC Ministry of Health. Guests will be asked to perform a self-assessment attesting to their wellness prior to entering the venue, and those experiencing symptoms such as coughing or fever may be asked to leave. There will be no intermission and zoned entry times will be established to limit traffic in the venue lobby. Additionally, guests will be required to wear a mask, with the exception of those with health concerns that make it unsafe to do so.

All proceeds from this event will go towards not only bringing theatre back to the Arts Club's stages, but also youth and education initiatives and new play development programs. This is the second instalment in the SPACED OUT! fundraising series. The third and final event will take place in September.

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ABOUT THE ARTS CLUB

The Arts Club, one of the largest not-for-profit theatre companies in the country, is the principal gathering place for the theatrical arts in British Columbia. Comprising three unique Vancouver venues—the Granville Island Stage, Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, and Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre—the Arts Club welcomes more than a quarter million guests annually, tours provincially and nationally, and engages students and artists alike through educational and professional programming. The Arts Club was founded in 1964 and is currently led by Artistic Director Ashlie Corcoran and Executive Director Peter Cathie White.

