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*Mad Frau Productions presents the Toronto premiere of:*

# Because I Can

*A rollicking new farce*

Written by Allison McWood

Directed by Paul Bates

A psychopathic doctor is killing all his patients with the power of suggestion. He gives them all six months to live---and they obey him. From the author of Fringe hits, *It Was Kit* and *Welcome to Eden*, comes a new farce. Coming at you with a powerhouse cast of **Second City** veterans, *Because I Can* is just what the doctor prescribed for a dose of mind-bending comedy.

Wrapped in a beautiful mess of farcical escapades and mistaken identities, the play explores the theme of 'Conscience.' Who has one? More importantly, who doesn't?

So don't mind the elusive, Romanian janitor with the mop or the insecure, male nurse with the dripping syringe. Make an appointment for *Because I Can*. Mind control and identity fraud have never been this much fun!

Disclaimer: No psychopaths were harmed in the production of this play.

The cast includes: Sandy Jobin-Bevans, (Nine time Canadian Comedy Award winner; writer and performer in *2000 Years and Still No Flying Cars*, *The Puck Stops Here* and *Honk If You Love Cheeses*, all for Second City; performed in the Fringe hit musical, *SARSical*; for film and television: *Regenesis*, *Dawn of the Dead*, *Harold and Kumar Go To Newcastle* and upcoming episodes of *Hotbox*.) as Dr. Mendax, Nug Nahrgang, (Dora Nominated musical, *Evil Dead*, host of the live gameshow, *SHOWGAME* at the Rivoli, Second City Veteran; film and television credits: *Cube: Zero*, *Men With Brooms* and *The Love Guru*) as Bogdan, Jim Annan, (*About An Hour* for the *Best of Fringe*, *Bird Flu Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, *Tazed and Confused* and Canadian Comedy Award Winning, *Facebook of Revelations*, all for Second City; film and television credits: *Billable Hours*, *G-Spot* and *Talk To Me*) as Floyd, and Kate Hewlett, (*Humans Anonymous* with Bridge Theatre Company, *Noble Parasites* at Theatre Passe Muraille, *Don't Wake Me* at Next Stage; for film and television: *A Dog's Breakfast*, *Dark Water*, played Jeannie Miller on *Stargate: Atlantis* and Andrea on CBC's *11 Cameras* ) as Shylie.

The show is directed by the multi-talented Paul Bates, (*SARSical*, along with six comedy review shows for Second City; he is a writer for CBC's *The Hour*, and has appeared in *The Tuxedo*, *Welcome to Mooseport* and *Last Comic Standing*). Paul Bates and Sandy Jobin-Bevans are also appearing in this year's Fringe festival production of *The Williamson Playboys in: Brother, Can You Spare Some Pants?*

## Because I Can

Robert Gill Theatre, 214 College Street – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Toronto

Wed July 1 at 10:30pm; Fri Jul 3 at 11:00pm; Sat July 4 at 1:45pm  
Wed July 8 at 7:30pm; Thurs July 9 at 10:30pm; Sat July 11 at 3:30 pm; Sun July 12 at 12:00pm

Tickets: \$10, call the Fringe Hotline at 416.966.1062 for more info or [www.fringetoronto.com](http://www.fringetoronto.com)

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