



**AURORA THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS
“THE NAKED STAGE”**

October 5 -16, 2016

Special Fall Engagement with Improv Playhouse of San Francisco at Harry’s UpStage

Aurora Theatre Company presents **Improv Playhouse of San Francisco** and their off-the-cuff unscripted production, **THE NAKED STAGE**. Combining San Francisco’s tradition of narrative long-form improvisation with the demands and surprises of traditional theater, **THE NAKED STAGE** “traps” the actors on stage with just themselves, and a few suggestions from the audience. During each performance, actors create a fleshed-out three-act play (including intermission) on the fly. Without the usual exit options of lights, time and location jumps, and other scene-enders, they are left to fully confront the characters and situations they have created in the moment. Each performance is a totally unique play based upon suggestions from the audience.

Called “an improv supergroup” by the *Contra Costa Times*, the Improv Playhouse players are some of the top improvisers in the Bay Area, and are recognized across the country and abroad for their performances and innovations in the art of improvisation. Both individually and collectively, they have been a part of numerous celebrated, cutting-edge improvisational theater troupes in the Bay Area and beyond.

THE NAKED STAGE plays for *10 performances only* in Aurora Theatre Company’s second stage performance space, Harry’s UpStage, located in the Nell and Jules Dashow Wing.

DATES: **Opens: October 5, 2016 (also press opening)**
 Closes: October 16, 2016

SHOWS: **Tuesday at 7pm (second week only); Wednesday through Saturday at 8pm; Sunday at 2pm (second week only)**

WHERE: Harry’s UpStage in the Nell and Jules Dashow Wing
 Aurora Theatre Company
 2081 Addison Street, Berkeley, CA

TICKETS: For tickets (General \$28; VIP reserved seating \$32; subscribers receive a \$2 discount) and information, the public can call **(510) 843-4822** or visit **auroratheatre.org**.

PHOTOS: High-resolution art digital art for **THE NAKED STAGE** can be accessed at **auroratheatre.org/index.php?option=com_theatre&view=press_show&id=135** or can be received as jpegs upon request

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