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**A New Round of Eclectic, Family-Friendly Comedy Takes the
Spotlight in Stage 773's Continuation of
*THE INOFFENSIVE THEATRE SERIES***

CHICAGO, IL – Continuing with their successful run of fun, affordable weekend entertainment for all ages, **Stage 773**, 1225 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago, is proud to extend their cheeky, family-friendly quartet of comedy with the continuation of **THE INOFFENSIVE THEATRE SERIES**, featuring unique afternoon shows on select Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. **Stage 773** leads the series with the extension of their award-winning all-silent, all-funny **BRI-KO**. Mass St. Productions presents their hilarious, yet wholesome take on the stereotypical fairytale full of crazy characters in **Mass St.: Kids!** Tapman Productions introduces audiences to Chicago's premiere tap dancing superhero as he takes on his nemesis, The MADD Tapper, in **The Adventures of Tapman**. Finally, Laser Light Comedy presents **The Laser Comedy Show**, a hilarious laser light show that combines improv and live illustrations to create a unique and mesmerizing adventure drawn before the audience's eyes. The whole family will enjoy what *Chicago Parent* calls "an all-ages theater that actually appeals to all ages!"

"I am so excited to continue with our fun, imaginative **INOFFENSIVE THEATRE SERIES** at **Stage 773**," said **Stage 773** Director of Programs Amanda Long. "With the new shows in our repertoire and our own **BRI-KO** continuing its run, I know audiences of all ages are going to continue to share in the laughter."

Simple tasks become riotously complicated in **BRI-KO**. In this non-verbal comedy experience presented by **Stage 773**, clowning-meets-sketch as audiences lose themselves in the performers' joyous, upbeat world. Filled with audience participation, incredible costumes, and mind-blowing props and visuals, **BRI-KO** is universally appealing and fun for the whole family. The performers' all-silent, all-hilarious show won the 2014 Second City Best of the Fest Award at the Toronto Sketch Comedy Festival. Nina Metz of *The Chicago Tribune* said, "If I were you, I'd do everything in my power to get a ticket!"

Mass Street is a fun place full of characters: a forgetful Queen, a stubborn King, and even a silly man with a great, big beard and a guitar. In **Mass St.: Kids!**, disaster strikes (which usually happens in fairytales), the people of Mass Street must work together to save the town, and the characters probably learn a lesson (which also usually happens in fairytales). This Mass St. Productions family-friendly show is pure, honest hilarity at its finest.

Follow Tapman, Chicago's premiere tap dancing superhero, through various episodes as he battles his arch nemesis, The MADD Tapper, in **The Adventures of Tapman**. Along the way, Tapman joins forces with The Modern Marvel, a crime-fighting modern dancer, in his quest to defeat the MADD Tapper. Presented by Tapman Productions, **The Adventures of Tapman** features light-hearted, 60s-era comic book humor, elaborate projected special effects, and phenomenal tap dancing including the unique tap dance fighting style, Tap-Fu!

In Laser Light Comedy's **The Laser Comedy Show**, performing artist Chris Fair uses Laser Reactive Technology to draw characters and scenery on a glow in the dark screen where the lines fade in moments like a high tech etch-a-sketch. Chris brings the characters to life by voicing them over, creating sound effects, music and continually drawing action to open up a 2-D screen into a 3-D world that takes audiences on a laser journey they won't ever forget.

THE INOFFENSIVE THEATRE SERIES' shows run between 50 and 75 minutes in the Box Theater on select Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Patrons have the option to purchase a \$75 flex pass, which is valid for 10 tickets to use however they please (all at once, two at a time, etc.) Regular tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under, and can be purchased at www.Stage773.com or by calling 773.327.5252.

About Stage 773

Stage 773 is a vibrant anchor of the Belmont Theatre District and home to Chicago's finest off-Loop talent. As a performance and tenant venue, our four stages provide entertainment for everyone: comedy, theatre, dance, musicals and more. We are a not-for-profit, connecting and catalyzing the theater community, while showcasing established artists and incubating up-and-coming talent.

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