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MEDIA ALERT FOR CALENDAR LISTINGS

HILLCREST CENTER FOR THE ARTS PRESENTS #COMEDY UNDER THE STARS

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. – After three nearly sold-out shows, HashtagComedy returns with Hollywood's funniest headlining comics to Thousand Oaks for an evening of entertainment under the stars. The laughs take place in the beautiful outside courtyard at the Hillcrest Center for the Arts, 403 W. Hillcrest Dr. on Friday, August 15th at 8:00 pm. The evening features seven comedians in an hour and a half show offered in an intimate cabaret setting. Open to ages 18 and over only and the show includes adult content and language. Drinks may be purchased by those 21 and over with valid ID. Doors open at 7:30.

Don't feel like driving into Hollywood for comedy? This lineup includes comics with credits from some of the best comedy shows on television and nightclubs around the country! This month's lineup includes Todd Ress, Monty Franklin, Feraz Ozel, Brenton Biddlecombe and Chris Bryant. Julia Jasiunas will host this night of comedy.

Todd Rexx has performed live all over the world. His television appearances include BET's Comicview(1994-2005), Tonight show with Jay Leno(1995) and HBO's Def Comedy Jam all-stars.

Monty Franklin's numerous television performances include Channel 10s *The Circle*, Foxtel's *Stand Up Australia*, and as part of The Comedy Channel's special – *The Best Of Stand Up* and *Comedy Gold*. After performing in hundreds of venues all over the world, Monty is now based in Los Angeles where he regularly performs at The Improv Comedy Clubs, The Comedy Store and all major comedy clubs around LA, the only Australian to be doing so.

Afghani-Pakistani comedian **Feraz Ozel** provides crowds with a diverse and energetic brand of insightful comedy. Feraz won the Funzine Comedy Competition in Budapest, Hungary while touring through Europe and was a finalist in San Diego's Funniest Person competition. He was recently seen providing comedic relief on "The Doctors" on CBS, and is a part of Ahmed Ahmed's Next Generation of Evil comedy tour. Feraz headlines comedy clubs and colleges across the country and continues to be one of the fastest rising comedians in Los Angeles, where he can be seen regularly at LA's hottest comedy clubs.

Brenton Biddlecombe bega began doing stand up in Detroit when he was 19 years old. Shortly after moving to Los Angeles he became a regular at The Comedy Store, Hollywood Improv, and Jon Lovitz Comedy Club. He currently tours as the opening act for Pauly Shore, Bobby Lee, Dean Delray and Taylor Williamson.

Christopher Smith Bryant is a stand-up comedian described as the "love child of Woody Allen and SNL's Stefon." He has appeared in numerous national commercials, as well as spots on ESPN, Nick Mom, and Cartoon Network. **Julia Jasiunas** is the producer of HashtagComedyLA and a native to the Conejo Valley. She is also a comedienne, actor, singer/songwriter, dancer and all around performer who has performed at many Hollywood hot spots

such as The Comedy Store, Westside Comedy Theatre, Flappers Comedy Club, and The Lyric Theatre.

#COMEDY tickets are only \$10 presale for general admission and \$13 at the door, and may be purchased at the Hillcrest Center for the Arts Box Office or by calling (805) 381-1246or www.hillcrestarts.com. Also on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook under the handle @HashtagcomedyLA.

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WHAT: #COMEDY: An Evening of Stand-up Comedy Under the Stars featuring Todd Rexx, Monty Franklin, Feraz Ozel, Brenton Biddlecombe, Chris Bryant, Adam Ray and a Special Guest. Julia Jasiunas will host this night of comedy. Some of Hollywood's funniest headlining comedians brought to you!

WHEN:

Friday, August 15 at 8:00 pm, doors open at 7:30

WHERE:

Hillcrest Center for the Arts 403 W. Hillcrest Drive Thousand Oaks, CA

HOW: (805) 381-1246 or www.hillcrestarts.com

TICKETS:

General Admission: \$10 presale. \$13 at the door

18 and over only. Show contains adult content and language. Drinks may be purchased by those 21 and over with valid ID.

OTHER:

Free parking is always available. Accessible seating available by calling (805) 381-1246.