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## **90's TV is here to help at Jet City Improv's *Very Special Episode***

***May 5 – 20, 2016***

Thursdays and Fridays at 8pm

**SEATTLE, WA** – Man buns. Selfie sticks. Anonymous text messages. It seems like new dangers are popping up every day and the good people of America have nowhere to turn for guidance. Thankfully, **JET CITY IMPROV** is proud to present the world premier of **VERY SPECIAL EPISODE** - an improvised comedy that tackles today's problems with all the grace and fortitude of a 90's sitcom teenager.

Inspired by the 1980's and 1990's TV sitcoms that suspended their light-hearted tone for one episode in order to take on an emotional or taboo topic of their time, **VERY SPECIAL EPISODE** looks to apply the same gravity (and tension-breaking laugh track) to the somewhat trivial challenges unique to the modern world. Every performance is completely improvised and uses topics suggested by the audience to create sappy sitcom episodes that demonstrate how the characters from then might have handled the challenges of now. When all is said and done and the laughter has died down, society may finally be ready to have a serious conversation with their family about everything from video buffering to CrossFit fanatics.

The cast features a collection of local comedians and improvisers that include Molly Arkin, Jon Axell, Steve Lange, Amalia Larson, Paul Levy, Randy Miller, Elicia Wickstead and Douglas Willott.

**VERY SPECIAL EPISODE** was created and directed by Laura Turner. Performances are Thursday and Friday nights at 8pm from May 5-20 with a special opening night gala on May 5 featuring a Q&A with the actors followed by complimentary cake and champagne. Advance tickets are \$10 for Thursday performances, \$12-\$15 for Friday performances, and \$15-\$18 at the door. Due to the likelihood of suggestions that contain adult material, viewer discretion is strongly advised.

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**ABOUT JET CITY IMPROV**

Jet City Improv is dedicated to enlightening, educating and entertaining audiences through the art of improvisation. Over the course of any given month, shows may include unscripted plays, their flagship Jet City Improv show, and their popular improvised re-dubbed film events known as *Twisted Flicks*. Jet City Improv also works to fulfill its mission with a 40-week improv training curriculum (known as the Jet City Improv Academy) as well as outreach work that provides free performances and workshops to homeless and incarcerated youth in Seattle and physically ill children around the state of Washington. All Jet City Improv productions, classes and outreach programs operate out of a bright yellow theater in the University District of Seattle Washington and are produced by Wing-It Productions, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.