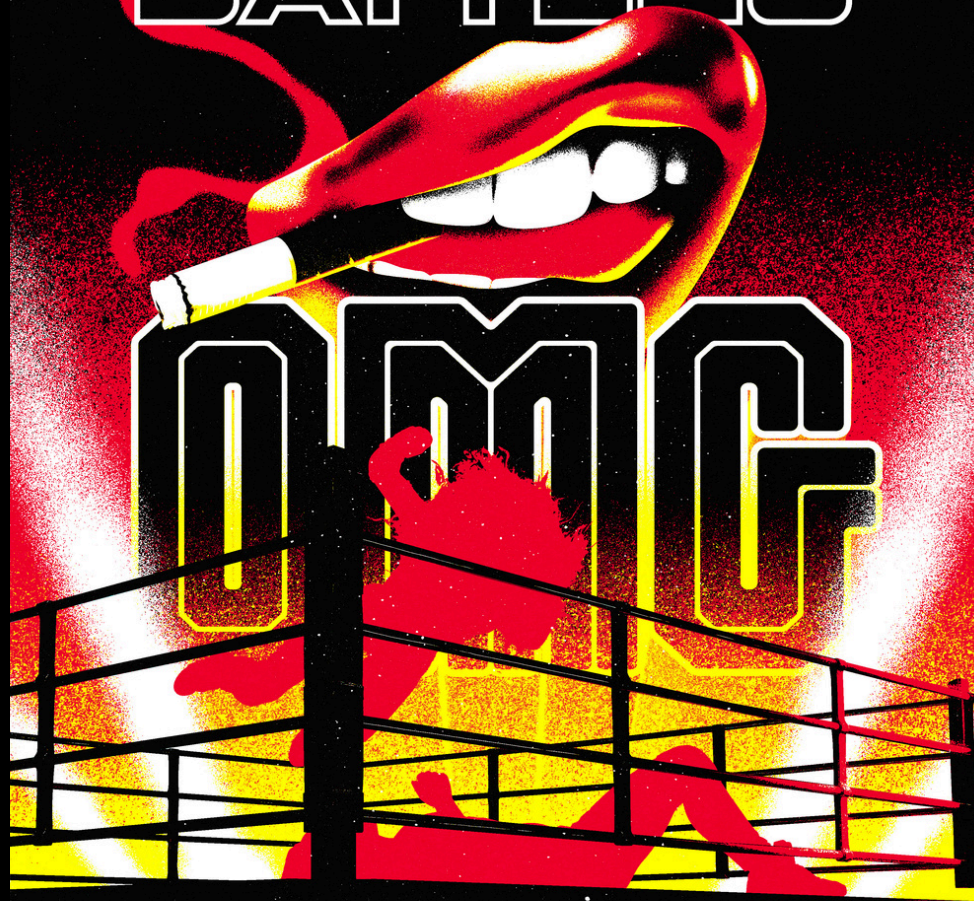


Downstage Theatre & GoGo Battles present

GO GO BATTLES



SOMEONE DIES

CAST, CREATIVE TEAM & CREW!



Baron von Boom - "The Mouth of the South-West" started his GoGo Battles journey as a superfan sitting in the audience, just like you. He joined the cast as a part time colour commentator and GGoGG (manager of a battler) before moving into his current role of full-time play by play announcer. Over the last 5 seasons of GoGo Battles he has seen things that defy explanation, logic or reason but all of that pales in comparison to what is in store for you with OMG: Someone dies! There is only one thing left for him to ask you.....ARE YOU READY TO GOGOOOOOOOOOOOOO?



Bonnie Bigras - I am part of the costume crew and have been a sewer for many years working on costuming for many school drama productions.



Bryan Sandberg (Cast) - is a gay Filipino-Canadian stand-up comedian, actor and writer. His comedy credits include Laugh Loft, Comedy Rae Jepsen, Ratboy Comedy, and Baklabayan. His next project will be directing an original show at the Calgary Fringe Festival. He hopes you have as much fun watching the show as he did being part of it.



Dare Reaire - I have been in the wonderful world of burlesque for the last 4 years, performing on stages all around Calgary. When I joined Gogo Battles a whole new world of wrestling, comedy and acting was opened for me. It's a show you can't explain, it's an experience you have to see in person!



Eda Mami (Cast, she/her) M.Sc. - In the world of wildlife biology, Eda Mami searched high and low for the wildest species of all: the party animal. As a certified STEM Bean™, her tedious investigation led her to Mohkinstsis, where the population of GoGo Battlers live. Studying their life and ecology, Mami theorized that in order for this population to thrive, they need 6 essential things: comedy, chaos, debauchery, delusion, water, and a raging crowd that feeds their rumbling spirit. So prove Mami's theory and bring on the cheers as she joins their ranks in **OMG: Someone Dies!** — this protein-packed snack is excited to move, shake, and fight for the right... to party!



Erin van Wijk - is a self-taught sewist with over 30 years of experience and for the last 15 years focused on pieces for stage in the burlesque, drag and wrestling scenes. Her ethos is rooted in punk & DIY movements which is well aligned with the GoGo Battles world and this **OMG Someone Dies!** production.



Eva Angel (Cast) - A seasoned Burlesque performer with a background in dance, Eva first entered the Calgary performance scene in 2009 while performing with the Fake Mustache Drag Troupe and, later on, The Garter Girls. Since then, she has performed in many high profile shows, such as the Vancouver, Edmonton, Kootenay, and Calgary International Burlesque Festivals, Wild Mountain Music Fest, and The High Performance Rodeo. She is a regular performer and instructor in the Calgary Burlesque scene who you can catch most often at events put on by Cabaret Calgary. Eva also resides as the Lead Dance Instructor for the National accessArts Centre, and is the CEO and Artistic Director for Blissful Dance, a multi-ability dance company and producer of Senses Cabaret!



Gingerella - was a late bloomer in the Mohkinstsis (aka Calgary) burlesque and drag scene, but since 2022 has been performing with Cabaret Calgary, Burlesque Burn, Fake Mustache Drag, Glitterverse Productions, and in 2023 co-created Oddtease Collective. As a lifelong theatre kid who never thought she'd get the opportunity to perform professionally again, she is so very excited and honoured to be part of GoGo Battles and can't wait to share all of the bonkers fun with you!



Holtasoli - is a trans drag performer, musician, and GoGo Battler. They bring weird energy and mayhem to the mat.



Ivy la Fleur (Cast) - is a Calgary based burlesque performer, vocalist and producer. She is a proud board member of Cabaret Calgary and has been a battler in GoGo Battles since it's inception in 2018. She is looking forward to her theatre acting debut in *OMG Someone Dies* at Downstage Theatre.



(Read this in an old timey "newspaper for sale" voice) Yo Jade Benoit here. I'm a local Actor, Comedian, Writer, and Clown. Hire me. Get your papers! Get your papers!



Karla Marx - is a writer, director, producer and co-creator of GoGoBattles. She is an award-winning international host and performer based in Calgary AB.



Karlotta Handle (Cast) - Drag performer of 4 years and Burlesque performer of 3! Spreading body positivity and joy with every performance! Been doing Gogo Battles for 1 year and as a former Theatre I am super excited to bring Gogo battles to a big stage!



Kayla Bigras - Performing for over two decades in multiple genres, Bigras is a writer, actor, director, producer, and cabaret artist. A cofounder of Cabaret Calgary Productions, Bigras AKA Bitch Sassidy AKA Smokey Waters has continued to evolve as a performer, touring Europe multiple times, traveling and performing across Canada, and continuing to add new talents and expressions into her art. She is delighted to bring the wildly absurd, irreverent GoGo Battles Universe to the stage, with special thanks to Karla, Val, and Clare for your support!



Kaytee Duskin (Crew) - I have always loved creating things with my hands and being behind the scenes of productions ever since I worked on the set crew for plays and musicals in my youth. I'm looking forward to seeing the hilarious and creative ways in which my cardboard and yarn creations will be used as props in *OMG Someone Dies!* as they help to bring this show to life.



Lily von Steam - This human plays an ananthropomorphic Rock Lobster! You think you know fish? You don't even understand crustaceans, they will be here long after mammals ...but they also could be an omni-gender pansexual omnicon, who has transcended gender but still needs to update their gender marker on their Alberta Driver's License. They are also the future woke liberals want!



Lucky Légère (Cast) - Lucky is a burlesque performer and semi-professional silly goose who works, plays, and wrestles on Treaty 7 territory. They first took to the stage doing burlesque in 2021 and this will be their 2nd GoGo Battles appearance.



I am M.T. Fridge - if it's cardboard and a dick, I probably had something to do with it. I'm a prop master and occasional David Hasselhoff impersonator.



Mollie Risa (Cast) - Mollie Risa is a comedian, writer and sommelier whose work has been featured on stages across Canada. Credits include Sled Island Festival, Urinetown (Little Becky Two Shoes), Young Frankenstein, Captain Louie (Roberta), Joseph... (Lower Ossington Theatre). You can listen to Mollie on the JFL originals album Stand Up Alberta: Substitute Teacher Energy where her worries about being a 'Grown Up Girl' helped her jokes title the otherwise all male album. Find her online @somollieyay



Rachelle Quinn (Crew) - Costuming - Rachelle is a visionary artist, masterfully skilled in the realms of hair, makeup, costumes, wigs, and performance. Hailing from Northern Alberta, she found her artistic home in Calgary following the completion of her bachelor's degree at AU Arts. Armed with diplomas in hair from Delmar College in Calgary and makeup artistry from the Blanche MacDonald Centre in Vancouver, Rachelle's dedication to creativity and meticulous attention to detail shine through in her work. With a unique ability to breathe life into characters, she effortlessly merges artistry with performance, creating captivating transformations that leave a lasting impression.



Rebecca Young (Cast & Crew) - It has been an absolute delight to watch this little comedy wrestling show evolve over the years into the community affirming, wild and hilarious wonder that it is today. I'm glad to have been around since the beginning times, and I can't wait to present an even more inept, evil and stupid version of my character for this particular installment of Gogo Battles.



Rip Em - is a trans non-binary drag performer, visual artist, and musician residing from Moh'kinstsis (Calgary, Alberta) They can be frequently seen hosting, singing, crafting, scheming, they-bossing, and proving that campy drag and glamour go hand in hand. With energy bursting out of every orifice they have, Rip Em brings a performance full of passion, emotion, and a whole lot of laughs!



Tannus Betzler - I started performing in GoGo Battles when it started in 2018. I enjoy entertaining people and making them laugh. I am looking forward to my first stage show at Arts Common and Down Stage Theatre.



Val Duncan (Cast) - is a Calgary-based performer and producer who has been a member of the GoGo Battles roster since the beginning of the league way back in 2018. She is totally psyched to be a part of this landmark comedy-wrestling event.



Victoria Banner - is a stand-up comedian who's been performing & creating comedy based shows around western Canada for the last 10 years. 2023 was a great year for her as she released her first album on audio streaming services. She's excited to perform Gogo Battles: OMG Somebody Dies and continue her life mission of meeting as many silly souls as possible!



Luna Luv - loved performing from a very young age. Though she never trained in a formal setting, she joined every school team/club that would allow her to perform for an audience. In 2018 she started pole dancing for fitness and fun, and now competes and teaches across Canada. She performed with Cabaret Calgary for the first time in September 2022 as a burlesque performer. Now here she is... jumping, kicking and body slamming for your entertainment.

BIOS & PHOTOS TO COME...

Tangerine Dream (cast)

Spencer Streichert (cast)

Scott Mainwood (cast & fight director)