



Fringe Phenomenon Makes Double Debut in Ottawa

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For the past several years, TJ Dawe, an amazing Canadian actor/writer, has toured the circuit of Fringe Festivals, in both Canada and the USA, to sell out crowds and 5 star reviews. Now, for the first time, his plays are coming to Ottawa.

John D. Huston, whose own one man shows have made him an Ottawa Fringe fave, appears in **TRACKS**. Two other Ottawa Fringe veterans, Stewart Matthews, of England's popular troupe Screwed and Clued, and Natalie Joy Quesnel (director, "How Nous Avons Met", Ottawa Fringe Best of Venue 2003), star in Enigma Productions' **52 PICK-UP**.

TRACKS "Deliciously dramatic," Victoria Times-Colonist

Taken from Jack London's (Call of the Wild) autobiographical tales of hopping freight trains in Canada and the States a century ago. Like many of Dawe's solo shows, TRACKS has played to full houses across Canada.

Ottawa Fringe fave John D. Huston is "A master storyteller" (Ottawa Citizen), 5 stars.

52 PICK-UP Chapters BEST TEXT AWARD at the 2000 Montréal Fringe Festival

Written in conjunction with Rita Bozi, **52 PICK-UP** is the story of a relationship from first meeting to two years post break-up, told in 52 scenes. The scenes, ranging in length from 4 words to 4 pages, are associated with specific cards in a standard 52 playing deck. At the top of the show, the cards are tossed in the air and are then collected randomly by the cast. Thus, the scene order changes with each performance.

TRACKS plays at The Mercury Lounge, upstairs at 56 Byward
Mon. June 20, Wed. June 22, Fri. June 24, at 20h30 AND
Tue. June 21, Thu. June 23, Sat. June 25 at 19h00

52 PICK-UP plays at Studio Leonard-Beaulne, 133 Seraphin-Marion, University of Ottawa
Sun. June 19, 19h00 Mon. June 20, 21h30 Tues. June 21, 23h00
Wed. June 22 17h30 Fri. June 24 19h00 Sat. June 25, 17h00

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