





THE VICTORIA FRINGE FESTIVAL FEATURES A STORYTELLING HIT:

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Written and performed by award-winning storyteller Carlyn Rhamey and directed and designed by Fringe veteran Jon Paterson (Dora Award winning *BoyGroove*), *The ADHD Project* is a biographical account of growing up with ADHD and learning to embrace and celebrate what makes us different. *"I'm sharing my story in hopes that it will raise awareness about neurodiversity"*, explains Rhamey, *"and hopefully show how hilariously eventful life can be when you experience it a little differently."*

The ADHD Project had successful workshop presentations at both the St. Catharines *In The Soil Arts Festival* and Hamilton *Mental Health MindPLAY Festival* in 2017. It then made its official premiere at the *Ottawa Fringe Festival*, where Rhamey won the Ottawa University Emerging Artist Award before returning to Hamilton, ON to sell out at the *Hamilton Fringe Festival*. In both cities audience members lined up at the end of every show to thank Rhamey and talk to her about their own experiences with ADHD and neurodiversity.

This year *The ADHD Project* is back and better than ever with an added projection element to include photos and personal home videos. The *Victoria Fringe Festival* is the fourth stop on five-city Canadian tour this summer. In the fall, *The ADHD Project* will join the Prologue to the Performing Arts roster and tour Ontario schools.

PRAISE FOR THE ADHD PROJECT IN OTTAWA, HAMILTON, LONDON FRINGE

"utterly unique and yet so oddly universal" Apt613 (Ottawa)

"Rhamey takes it to a higher level... A distinct voice that truly has something important to say." Arts Ally (Hamilton)

"A gifted and charismatic storyteller, endearing, captivating, and tremendously abuzz with charming energy" On Stage Ottawa ★★★★

"You fall in love with the story and the storyteller alike" Theatre In London ★★★★ "educational, enlightening and entertaining" View Magazine (Hamilton)

"Rhamey's storytelling skills are out in full force here, and it's not something you should miss" New Ottawa Critics

VENUE: V7 – St.Andrew's Kirk Hall Show Times: Aug 28 – 6:45PM, Aug 30 – 5:15PM, Aug 31 – 5:30PM, Sept 1 – 8:30PM, Sept 2 – 7:30PM