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## **Stepping Stone Theater Partners with The Second City On Monday Variety Show Series**

Second City's "The Vibes" to Benefit Stepping Stone Theater This September

**CHICAGO, IL, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021** – The Second City's comedy variety show *The Vibes* will be benefiting Stepping Stone Theater for the September edition. The show will be performed at e.t.c. Theater, 230 W. North Ave. Chicago IL, 60610 on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8pm.

Second City's *The Vibes* brings comedy and community together in a refreshingly uplifting monthly variety event, where 10% of all ticket sales go to a featured community organization. This September, that featured organization is Stepping Stone Theater.

Tickets are on sale now for \$25 on the Second City's website. It is important to note that all theater patrons and adult in-person students are required to be fully vaccinated, and show proof, to attend a Second City show or class.

"The Vibes is all about using Second City comedy to uplift diverse voices, impact our community and have a fun time. The audience will not only see a great show but will be a part of real change. This variety style show brings in artists from all over the city and creates a one-of-a-kind experience that everyone will enjoy," said John Carr, Executive Producer for Second City.

This month's featured comedian is Chicago-based Jerry Tran, who has become a crowd favorite at clubs and shows around the country thanks to his meticulously crafted jokes and endearing stage presence. He is a co-founder and producer of Chicago's iconic Tuxedo Cat Comedy. The musical act for the show will be Southside Chicago native, Lynn Solar. Solar's eclectic sound marries soul, pop, folk, classical, and R&B. The featured cast includes Vernon Mina, Claudia Martinez, Phylicia McLeod, Kennedy Baldwin and Richard Gomez. Directed by Jonald Reyes. Bringing it all together is Chicago's own DJ Skoli, who will be playing beats throughout the night.

Recently featured in the New York Times and the Chicago Tribune as an up-and-coming presence in the improv comedy community for Chicago, Stepping Stone Theater is a non-profit organization. Created to celebrate and amplify the voices of BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, persons of disabilities, women, and

non-POC allies of all ages, Stepping Stone provides affordable and accessible resources with a focus on community outreach and theatrical performance.

**Learn more:** To learn more about Stepping Stone Theater, visit [www.steppingstonechicago.com](http://www.steppingstonechicago.com)  
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