# Best New York Stand-Up with Myq Kaplan Lineup for Debut Show on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016

at The PIT Striker Theater, 8:00 pm, \$10; for tickets, please click here



Mike Lawrence, Mark Normand, and Myq Kaplan

# <u>Myq Kaplan</u>

Myq Kaplan's lightning-quick mind has helped make him one of the top stand-up comics in the country...and why he opens for such comedy legends as Louis C.K.

Myq's been a finalist on NBC's *Last Comic Standing* and semi-finalist on NBC's *America's Got Talent;* and he's performed on *David Letterman, Conan O'Brien, Jay Leno, Louie,* and his own *Comedy Central Presents* special.

Myq's hit comedy albums include <u>Vegan Mind Meld</u>, <u>Meat Robot</u>, <u>Please Be Seated</u>, and <u>Small, Dork, and Handsome</u>.

# Mark Normand

Mark Normand regularly opens for and tours with Amy Schumer. Mark has also performed brilliantly several times on *Conan O'Brien* (for a sample, please click <u>here</u>), *Last Comic Standing*, VH1's *Best Week Ever*...and, of course, Comedy Central's *Inside Amy Schumer*. In addition, Mark has a comedy album titled <u>Still Got It</u>.

Mark has many fans. For example, on the August 2016 Comedy Central series *Jeff Ross Roast Battles*, Jeff told Mark, "You might be my favorite comic who's working today...I think you're going to be one of the biggest comics in the country."

#### Mike Lawrence

Mike Lawrence is a razor-sharp comic who's a staff writer for the Emmy Award-winning Comedy Central series *Inside Amy Schumer*.

Mike is also a frequent guest on @midnight, has performed on Conan O'Brien and Seth Meyers, has starred in a Comedy Central Half Hour, and has released a comedy album titled <u>Sadamantium</u>.

Among Mike's honors are being nominated for an Emmy award for his writing on *Inside Amy Schumer*, and for winning the brutally competitive August 2016 Comedy Central series *Jeff Ross Roast Battles*.

You can hear a fascinating and hilarious interview I did with Mike <u>here</u>, in which he describes the winding road of career choices that led to where he is today—which included seven years working a drive-through window at McDonald's.



# Sean Patton

Like these other comics, Sean Patton is one of the very finest stand-ups in the country. This is what Jason Zinoman wrote about him in the March 12, 2014 edition of *The New York Times*:

Give him a microphone and 10 minutes in front of a live crowd, and Sean Patton, a short, rotund, live-wire comedian, is just about a sure thing. I've seen him perform more than a dozen sets, and he's killed every time.

He's dynamite, even with ordinary material, turning standard Brooklyn hipster jokes into a stomping, roaring tour de force, and elevating a bit about sex-performance anxiety into high-stakes comedy.

Sean has performed brilliant stand-up on *Jimmy Fallon* and *Conan O'Brien*. He's also starred in his own *Comedy Central Half Hour;* performed on VH1 and for the feature film *Wifed Out;* and is the co-host of Esquire Network's *Best Bars in America*.



# Chris "Shockwave" Sullivan

Expanding the definition of stand-up—and adding some extra special variety to the evening—is Chris "Shockwave" Sullivan. Chris has a God-given gift to improvise sounds that you wouldn't expect a person's voice could make. He specializes in being a human beatbox, and his performances tend to be unforgettable.

Chris has performed on *The Daily Show*, and was a cast member of PBS' beloved children's series *The Electric Company*. He's also a key member of the popular improv hip-hop group *Freestyle Love Supreme*.



# **Ophira Eisenberg**

Ophira Eisenberg is the host of National Public Radio's trivia/puzzle show *Ask Me Another*. Ophira has also appeared on NBC's *The Today Show*, CBS' *The Late Late Show*, Comedy Central, VH1, and Showtime.

In addition, Ophira is the author of the bestselling book <u>Screw Everyone</u> and has a standup comedy album titled <u>Bangs!</u>. For a rave about Ophira from *The New York Times*, please click <u>here</u>.

This show is being filmed for a web series. We'd love for you to come help make it a hit by letting us immortalize your laughter.

Hope to see you on Friday.

Hy Bender, Producer

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