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## NIGHT FEED WINS BEST OF FRINGE TORONTO, NEW DATES ANNOUNCED

## NEW SHOW BY CANVAS SKY THEATRE ALSO WINS PATRON'S PICK, SELLS OUT ENTIRE RUN AT TORONTO FRINGE FESTIVAL

"DEEPLY HONEST AND COMPELLING STORYTELLING... NNNNN" - NOW MAGAZINE

Toronto, ON (July 15, 2019) – Canvas Sky Theatre's *NIGHT FEED* has been selected for a remount at the Toronto Centre For The Arts, Sunday July 21st 12:00pm and Saturday July 27th 12:00pm as part of TO LIVE's annual Best Of Fringe presentation. These newly-announced performances will cap off a wildly successful inaugural production for Canvas Sky's puppet comedy about motherhood, with *Night Feed* selling out it's entire Toronto Fringe run at the Tarragon ExtraSpace, winning Patron's Pick in the process, after already receiving Outstanding Overall Production at the 2019 Ottawa Fringe Festival in June.

Universally praised by theatre reviewers in Toronto, *Night Feed* was featured on every critic's picks list, including the Toronto Star, NOW Magazine, and Mooney On Theatre. Debbie Fein-Goldbach of NOW Magazine praised *Night Feed* as "deeply honest and compelling storytelling", giving it a rare 5-N review. (read full review here)

Night Feed is the first play by creator **Sarah Joy Bennett**, whose own experience as a mother inspired the innovative piece, which combines physical theatre with different forms of puppetry. Created in collaboration with **Ginette Mohr** (Fish Face, Snack Music) and **Shawna Reiter** of **CLUNK Puppet Lab** (How I Became Invisible), Night Feed is a hilarious examination at the darker sides of becoming a parent, a post-natal fever dream brought to life.

Night Feed is performed by Bennett, Mohr, and actor **Corinne Murray**, whose performance as a new mother in the throes of sleep deprivation was commended by Carly Maga of The Toronto Star as "a believable mix of exhaustion, anxiety and patience". In turn, Bennett & Mohr are described as "side-splittingly funny as they bring objects to life in a huge range of demeanours, voices, and accents" by Mooney On Theatre.

The piece also features guest puppetry direction by **Mike Peterson** (of **Henson Company** fame) and original music by **David Atkinson** (assoc. music director, *Dear Evan Hansen*).

Full digital press kit, with links to all reviews, available at www.nightfeed.ca/media

## Canvas Sky Theatre in association with CLUNK Puppet Lab, The Toronto Fringe, and TO LIVE, presents NIGHT FEED

Written and Directed by Sarah Joy Bennett
Created in collaboration with Ginette Mohr and Shawna Reiter
Performed by Sarah Joy Bennett, Ginette Mohr and Corinne Murray
Puppet design, puppet direction, and set design by Shawna Reiter
Puppets by Shawna Reiter, Jonathan Davis and CLUNK Puppet Lab
Guest puppetry direction by Mike Petersen
Lighting design by Melissa Joakim
Stage managed by Stevie Baker
Music direction by David Atkinson

Toronto Centre For The Arts Studio Theatre 5040 Yonge Street

Performances: July 21st, 12:00pm July 27th, 12:00pm

Tickets to Best of Fringe: TO LIVE are available via the Toronto Centre for the Arts online at www.tocentre.com/bof19 and over the phone at 1-855-985-2787.

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