



DIRTY SOUTH IMPROV FESTIVAL

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Escape the Box. Be a character. DSIF8: Feb 19-24, 2008

6 Days. 23 Shows. 72 Acts. 400 Comedians. Infinite Laughs.

(CARRBORO, NC – January 16, 2008) – DSI COMEDY THEATER – the South's premier improv comedy theater proudly announces the 8th annual Dirty South Improv Festival, February 19-24, 2008. DSIF8 welcomes comedians from Los Angeles, New York and Toronto, and Acts from around the country to showcase the best work the alternative comedy scene has to offer during the South's largest comedy event.

DSI Comedy Theater, DSI Studio, ArtsCenter Earl Wynn, ArtsCenter West End, and Cat's Cradle are showcasing both professional comedians and college improv ensembles. Advance tickets are available online at www.festival.dirtysouthimprov.com and dsicomedytheater.com. Ticket prices range from \$8 - \$21.

Blue Shampoo: Official Selection for DSIF8.

"I am excited to welcome **Blue Shampoo** from **Chicago, Illinois** to Carrboro, North Carolina to contribute to one of the largest festivals of improvisation in the country," says Zach Ward, DSIF Executive Producer and Artistic Director, "**Blue Shampoo** should be recognized for their achievement and supported in their efforts to carve out a place on the national comedy scene."

DSIF8 Featured Acts.

- **MC CHRIS** (*New York; Self-released Nerdcore hip-hop star, Veteran of Adult Swim's Aqua Teen Hunger Force and Sealab 2021. MC CHRIS will perform a concert and comedy during the festival.*)
- **ASK A NINJA.COM – DOUGLAS SARINE** (*Los Angeles; By answering questions on the Internet as a hilarious and insightful Ninja, Douglas has created a cult phenomenon.*)
- **BASSPROV** (*Fully improvised one-Act comedy created by veteran Chicago actors Joe Bill and Mark Sutton. Bassprov has featured guests from MADtv and Saturday Night Live.*)
- **ADULT SWIM – DEATH BY ROO ROO** (*New York City; Cast members of this Act have been featured on Comedy Central and Late Night with Conan O'Brien and are now starring in the Cartoon Network series Fat Guy Stuck in the Internet*)
- **THE GROUNDINGS – ONE NIGHT STAND** (*The Los Angeles theater that produced WILL FERRELL and countless other SNL stars sends it's star improvised musical Act. Not to be missed!*)

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The Dirty South Improv Festival was started in 2001 so that both local audiences and comedy students might benefit from the experience of workshops and performances in the art of improvisation, Chicago-style. In its 8th year, DSIF has taken a significant leap to involve the local community, with both sponsors and new venues. The festival has grown significantly in both size and attendance to become one of the largest and most popular, nationally recognized improv and comedy festivals in the world. DSI is committed to producing the highest-quality comedy programming and offering workshops year-round here in North Carolina.

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