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The Only Animal, in partnership with the Roundhouse Community Arts and Recreation Centre, with support from Theatre SKAM and technical support from the Arts Club Theatre Company presents

*Quantum physics comes to False Creek in*  
**Other Freds**

In what promises to be one of the biggest and most audacious theatre performances ever staged in Vancouver, **Other Freds** will make a splash on False Creek July 11-23.

Featuring an outstanding cast of professional Vancouver actors, musicians, directors and technicians, as well as birds, boats, bikes, and over 100 volunteer performers, it is the story of a lonely fella called Fred living in Vancouver, and all the Other Freds existing in nearby parallel universes. The Other Freds make slightly different choices and end up on wildly differing adventures in the urban landscape. A desperate act leads to an all-Fred rescue party reuniting Fred with the parade of life that awaits him on the shore. *Other Freds* takes place on Granville Island, the False Creek waterway, the downtown seawall, and in all of the 'Other Vancouvers' that hover out there on the edge of possibility.

*Other Freds* is the brainchild of **Kendra Fanconi**, a playwright, performer and director who specializes in site-specific theatre. Her award-winning 2002 play, *The One that Got Away*, was performed in a swimming pool. She also co-created *The Last Stand*, a play set in the trees of Stanley Park.

*Other Freds* begins inside the Arts Club's Granville Island Stage, and then moves outside to the water's edge on Granville Island. Audience members are advised to dress appropriately for the weather. Cushions will be available.

Volunteers of all ages are still needed to act, dance, sing, bike, blade, kayak, and fill a number of other roles in the production. Free training workshops begin at the Roundhouse Community Arts & Recreation Centre in May. For more information about volunteering, visit [www.otherfreds.com](http://www.otherfreds.com). Or to register for a workshop call the Roundhouse at 604 713-1800 or go to their website [www.roundhouse.ca](http://www.roundhouse.ca).

*Other Freds* is produced by The Only Animal in partnership with the Roundhouse Community Arts and Recreation Centre, with support from Theatre SKAM and technical support from the Arts Club Theatre Company. It is written and directed by **Kendra Fanconi**, with composition and musical direction by **Mark Sylvester** and choreography by **Eric Rhys Miller**. **James Long** stars as Fred, with **Colin Heath**, **Tom Jones**, **Shawn MacDonald**, **Andrew McNee**, **Eric Rhys Miller** and **Shaun Phillips** playing the Other Freds. Live musical accompaniment is provided by the Quantum Mechanics, led by **Mark Sylvester**, and featuring **Bessie Wapp**, **Russell Sholberg**, **Sarah Donald**, **Alison Jenkins**, **Ben Rogalsky** and **Courtenay Dobbie**. The design team features **Darren Hales** (set and lighting), **Mima Preston** (costumes), and **Sydney Cavanagh** (props).

*Other Freds* runs July 11-23 at —yes, 7 pm, not 8 pm—at the Arts Club's Granville Island Stage (no show Sundays). Tickets are \$24 for adults, \$20 for students and seniors, and are available via Ticketmaster at **604-280-3311** or at [www.artsclub.com](http://www.artsclub.com). A two-for-1 performance is scheduled for July 12. Audience size is limited, so book early to avoid disappointment.



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By Kendra Fanconi

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