

2021-2022 LIVE AT HERITAGE CENTER
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

Jim Belushi

**AND THE BOARD
OF COMEDY**



THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022 | 7:30 P.M.

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ARTISTICALLY
resilient

Jim Belushi

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CAST

Jim Belushi
Larry Joe Campbell
Joshua Funk
Megan Grano
Benjamin Bromfield

Some content may be appropriate for mature audiences only.

The show will be performed without an intermission.

Photography and recording are strictly prohibited during this presentation.

Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices prior to the performance.

This performance is made possible by arrangement with ICM Partners Talent & Literary Agency.

"We are not stand-up comedians. Our show is not a passive, sit-back-and-watch experience. Most of the fun we have on stage comes from our inclusion of the audience - we get suggestions from them to begin each scene we perform, and in certain instances, bring them on-stage with us to add to our performance. It's less a 'show' and more a party. At least it feels like one to me. This group of actors brings me right back to how I started out in comedy - maybe that's why we have so much fun doing it." -*Jim Belushi*

With more than thirty years of experience and an alumnus of "Saturday Night Live" and Chicago's famed Second City, Jim Belushi is now bringing to the stage an improvised comedy sketch show featuring members of the Board of Comedy.

Belushi starred on the ABC hit comedy "According to Jim," on which he also served as executive producer, music composer and director. After wrapping 182 episodes for its eighth and final season, the family favorite series also hit a milestone when it launched into off-net syndication in 2007. A favorite of film, television and stage audiences, Belushi is one of the great leading character actors equally at home in drama and comedy, and a gifted performer who can also hold a room as front man of a rhythm and blues band. Accompanying Belushi are Megan Grano, Larry Joe Campbell and Joshua Funk, all classically trained professional improvisers who tour regularly nationwide.

CAST BIOS



JIM BELUSHI began his acting career in Chicago, Illinois studying at three of the top theaters: The Goodman, The Apollo, and The Second City. After his two-year stint on Saturday Night Live, Jim appeared in over 75 movies, including Red Heat, About Last Night, The Principal, and K-9, and five television series, including eight years on According to Jim and, most recently, CBS's The Defenders. Recent feature film credits include "North of Hell," "The Whole Truth" (directed by Oscar-nominated Courtney Hunt), "The Hollow Point," "Katie Says Goodbye," the award-winning festival favorite "Sollers Point," and appearing opposite Kate Winslet in Woody Allen's "Wonder Wheel." In 2011, Jim gained rave reviews on Broadway as Harry Brock in Born Yesterday. However, drama and comedy are not the only facets to Jim's breadth of talents. For the past fifteen years, he has been singing, dancing, and playing harmonica in the Blues Brothers with Dan Aykroyd and with his own band, The Sacred Hearts. Together they have produced four albums and performed all over the world. Jim is thrilled to be getting back to his improv roots with this incredibly talented and hilarious group of actors.



LARRY JOE CAMPBELL is excited to be onstage with this super talented cast! And he is ecstatic to be back with Jim again having worked together for 8 seasons on According to Jim. Since then, Larry has appeared in the movies Hall Pass and Killers and has had recurring roles on Weeds, Rules of Engagement, and Lifetime's The Protector. Larry Joe was recently seen in R.I.P.D. with Ryan Reynolds and Kevin Bacon and in Guillermo del Toro's Pacific Rim. Larry Joe lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Peggy, and their five children. Larry would like you to know that he loves you. (Yes, you. The one who's reading this.)



JOSHUA FUNK is a multiple award-winning director and alum from The Second City in Chicago. His television and film credits include Key & Peele, Reno 911, Wild n' Out, and Steven Soderbergh's The Informant. Recently, he had a blast filming Kenny Ortega's A Change of Heart with Jim Belushi and Larry Joe Campbell. When he is not acting, Joshua composes and produces the original music for Comedy Central's hit show Key & Peele. He is also the artistic director for The Second City Hollywood and the director of Jim Belushi and the Board of Comedy.



MEGAN GRANO has appeared on TV in Weeds, Parks and Recreation, Hot in Cleveland, Conan, The Great State of Georgia, and American Dad. Film roles include Bridesmaids and This is 40. She is a 2007 alum of The Second City Chicago. Megan is also an iO Theater alum, where she has performed since 1999. She is beyond grateful to be a part of the Board of Comedy.

BENJAMIN BROMFIELD serves as the troupe's very talented piano accompanist tonight.

Mark your calendars

UPCOMING EVENTS



DRUMLINE LIVE!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022 | 7:30 P.M.



THE PLAY WITH ROCKY BLEIER (Special Event)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022 | 7:30 P.M.



FREEDOM RIDERS

Performed by Mad River Theater Works

MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2022 | 7:30 P.M.



THE DUKE ELLINGTON ORCHESTRA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2022 | 7:30 P.M.

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