



STAND-UP COMIC FRANK VIGNOLA JOINS MCBEE AND BHASIN AT ARTS ON THE LAKE

Comic's comic Frank Vignola will join Charles McBee and Akash Bhasin at Arts on the Lake's first Stand-Up Comedy Night on Saturday, November 22, at 8 pm.

Having appeared on Comedy Central TV, at Montreal's "Just for Laughs" with Bill Maher, and having entertained troops on tour and at home, Vignola is also known for a starring role in the film "Tilting at Windmills" and his own one-man show "God and Science."

Charles McBee, arriving from Toledo, Ohio, a few years ago on a scholarship to attend The New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts, now has his own web series called "It's a Chucked Up Life" and is a regular across the country and at major NYC comedy clubs. In the area, he recently "brought down the house" at The Schoolhouse Theater in Croton Falls.

Featured on "It's A Chucked Up Life," Akash Bhasin is also a regular in Cult Comedy Picture Shows on CNN and Huffington Post. He has won comedy club competitions at Catch a Rising Star and Gilda's Laugh-Off and entertained with his "no-holds-bared humor" in China, India, throughout the United States and now Lake Carmel.

"We have wanted to bring in stand-up comedy for some time," said Director of Theatrical Programming at Arts on the Lake James Shearwood, "but were waiting for the right people. We think we've found them."

Known as "The Diversity Show," the evening has been organized by Adam Oliensis, producer of LoHud Comedy. Said Oliensis, "What an Indian, an African-American and an Italian-Irish-American have in common is the ability to break down stereotypes through laughter."

Located in the Lake Carmel Arts Center, 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes, this Arts on the Lake event is open to all with an admission price of \$15.

There is a \$3 discount for AotL members and anyone can become a member in advance on the web or at any event.

Because of early interest, Arts on the Lake recommends advance ticket purchase at www.artsonthelake.org or (845) 228-2685.

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