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SUDBURY NIGHTSPOT SET TO HOST LOL LATE NIGHT COMEDY

SUDBURY — Set in the intimate, albeit spacious club setting of the 1500 Pub, and featuring some of Canada's finest comics, LOL Sudbury is pleased to announce that it's 2009 late-night bar line-up will feature 2 new shows: **THE DARKSIDE OF COMEDY** and **LOL LATE NIGHT**.

THE DARKSIDE OF COMEDY, Friday, May 29th at 11:30 pm, 1500 Pub

Id inspired and I.D. required...this ain't your parents' quiet and quaint comedy club show! Heck, we've been given no conclusive assurances that everything said, expressed, discussed, and witnessed at **THE DARKSIDE OF COMEDY** will be entirely free of illegalities. None at all! In fact, all we can 100% guarantee is that you'll LYO at some of the most crude and crass comics working the very late night comedy scene. *Must be 19 years of age or older to attend.*

Hosted by: Jennifer Grant

A 2008 nominee for "Best Female Comedian" at the Canadian Comedy Awards, Jen Grant got her start doing stand-up comedy in Ottawa in 1999. In 2004, Jen performed at the *Just For Laughs Festival* in Montreal, toured as the opening act for the *Puppetry of the Penis* show in theatres across Western Canada, and has appeared twice on CBC Radio's *Madly Off in All Directions*. Jen was featured on CTV / The Comedy Network's *Comedy Now!* in 2008 and recently recorded a segment for CBC Radio's *The Debaters*.

Darren Frost

Uniquely eccentric and one of the reigning kings of "way-out" comedy, Darren Frost is a man whose sole purpose is to "slam a stapler against the forehead of popular culture." Twice awarded a top 10 comedy moment of the year mention by Toronto's *Now Magazine*, and winner of the prestigious Kari Award for "Best Performance in a Commercial," Darren was recently featured in an episode of Discovery Civilization's *Tribes of the 21st Century*. Darren has also been featured in many memorable commercials, 'Listerine's' Action Hero Bottle.

Aaron Berg

Winner of the 2007 COCA Comedian of the Year Award Aaron Berg recently made the move to New York where he plays most of the city's top clubs. Aaron is also the writer/performer of the critically acclaimed *The Underbelly Diaries*, the sordid tales of his experiences in the sex-trade, which has toured Canada and California. Aaron is set to appear in the role of Jo Jo Rhama in Troy Duffy's soon to be released *The Boondock Saints II: All Saints Day*.

Jay Brown

Jay Brown first did stand up at seven years of age in Jamaica. He was on vacation with his family and attended an open mic night at the hotel's beach party. He was a big hit and was forever bitten by the comedy bug. A professional comic since 1988, Jay is hard edged yet affable, and relates hip anecdotes and clever observations with a no holds barred, take no prisoner attitude!

LOL LATE NIGHT, Saturday, May 30th at 11:30 pm, 1500 Pub

Don't let the spacious surroundings of the 1500 Pub fool you. **LOL LATE NIGHT** features comics guaranteed to cram the place with laughter. No kidding. These are some of the most off-the-wall-hilarious talents gracing comedy stages today! *Must be 19 years of age or older to attend.*

Hosted by: Mark Forward

The award winning stand-up/ actor/ writer Mark Forward has headlined comedy clubs across Canada. He was winner of the Canadian Comedy Award for 'Best Stand-up Newcomer' in 2005, and the prestigious 'Homegrown Comic Competition' at the 2008 *Just For Laughs Festival* in Montreal. He has numerous television and film credits including a featured appearance on CTV / Comedy Central's *Comedy Now!*, The Comedy Network's *The Jon Dore Television Show*, (for which his writing earned him another Canadian Comedy Award in 2008), as well as the films *The Rocker* and *Breakfast with Scot*.

Allyson Smith

A consistent fan favourite at home in Canada or wherever the punch line finds her, Allyson Smith brings her signature blend of brash social commentary and clever life insights to one of the most alluring shows around. No stranger to stage, screen or studio, Allyson's biting wit and cunning charisma have been featured on Much Music's *Video on Trial*, CTV / Comedy Network's *Comedy Now!*, as well as on CBC Radio's *Madly Off In All Directions* and *The Debaters*.

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Dennis Ross

Winner of the Johnny Walker Red Comedy Competition in New Jersey, Dennis Ross can be seen in heavy rotation on the Comedy Network's *Club 54*. *Dennis is hilariously truthful and clever, and boasts a comedy career spanning 20 years.*

Pete Zedlacher

Winner of a 2006 Canadian Comedy Award for "Best Male Stand-up", Pete has quickly become one of the top headlining comics in the country—touring Canada from coast to coast and making appearances around the globe. He has also appeared at the *Just For Laughs Festival* in Montreal an impressive 3 times, and will return to the festival this summer for his second gala.

LOL LATE NIGHT will also feature new material from Jennifer Grant, host of **THE DARKSIDE OF COMEDY**.

Tickets for both **THE DARKSIDE OF COMEDY** and **LOL LATE NIGHT** are \$17.50 in advance and \$20 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased starting April 28th by calling (705) 688-1234, or by visiting the LOL Sudbury office at 49 Durham Street.

The 3rd edition of Laugh Out Loud Sudbury Comedy Festival runs from May 26th to May 30th. For more information, please call (705) 688-1234 or visit www.lolsudbury.com

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