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**The Cupid Players Explore the  
Complicated, Sweet and Offbeat Sides of Love in  
*Cupid Has a Heart On: V-Day Edition*  
For Valentine's Day**

**CHICAGO** – Following sold-out shows at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Chicago Sketch Comedy Festival, the shamelessly provocative group, The Cupid Players of Stage 773, 1225 W. Belmont, will present three performances of ***Cupid Has a Heart On: V-Day Edition*** on Saturday, February 11 and 14, 2017. Inspired by Valentine's Day, Chicago's longest running musical comedy show is participating in Chicago Theater Week for the first time. Couples, singles and groups of friends can catch the show to be serenaded with hilarious new numbers as well as Cupid classics. With feisty songs about relationships, love and life, guests will be sure to have a "pants-dropping" good time.

"We are excited to participate in Chicago Theater Week for the first time with our flagship show. Theater week is a great chance to see new shows or shows that have been loved for a long time. We know new and returning audiences alike will truly enjoy Cupid Has a Heart On," says Stage 773 Creative Director Brian Posen.

The Cupid Players' will present a special 10:30 p.m. late-night performance on February 11th for those who enjoy a supremely adult-themed show. The one-act performance includes the cast's most loved, risqué (and always sex-positive) numbers. In addition to the funny, whimsical night of musical comedy, audiences of the 8p.m. shows on February 11 and February 14 will be treated to a complimentary champagne toast with the cast.

Hailed as a "Must-see!" by *TimeOut Chicago* and feted as "full of wit and zest" by the *Chicago Tribune*, **Cupid Has a Heart On** has been making Chicago laugh at love since 2002. Backed by the skillful piano-playing of Brian Posen, this original production has toured to Toronto, New York, Los Angeles and beyond, featuring "seasoned performers at the top of their game" (*Windy City Times*). Named "Best Sketch Comedy Group" by the *Chicago Reader*, The Cupid Players continue to delight audiences with a raunchy, touching, smart show that is -- above all -- very, very funny.

Ticket prices to Chicago Theater Week performances are as follows: **Cupid Has a Heart On: V-Day Edition**: Saturday, February 11, 8:00 p.m., \$35; Saturday, February 11, 10:30 p.m., \$20; and Tuesday, February 14, 8:00 p.m., \$30; **Cupid Has a Heart On**: Saturday, February 18, 8:00 p.m.; \$20. To access discount tickets, Chicago Theater Week audiences should use online checkout code: THWEEKCupid. For additional information or to purchase tickets, please visit <http://stage773.com/Cupid> or call 773.327.5252.

### **About Stage 773**

Stage 773 is a vibrant anchor of the Belmont Theatre District and home to Chicago's finest off-Loop talent. As a performance and tenant venue, our four stages provide entertainment for everyone: comedy, theatre, dance, musicals and more. We are a not-for-profit, connecting and catalyzing the theater community, while showcasing established artists and incubating up-and-coming talent.

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