



21 years? You've got to be joking!

Covert Theatre Presents

The Improv Bandits **no scripts, no gimmicks, no safety net!**

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The Improv Bandits are into their 21st year of delighting audiences with their unique high-energy improvised comedy. Last year they celebrated 20 years with a sell out show at the Town Hall with comedy legend Colin Mochrie. This year they are performing in their 20th appearance in the NZ Comedy Festival.

Recognised internationally as one of the top improvised comedy acts in the world, The Improv Bandits amaze their audience with their quick wit and engaging sense of fun where no two shows are ever the same.

While most of the group have been together for 2 decades, they have a new Improv Bandit. CJ Le Mon is the first female Bandit in 6 years and joins Geoff Simons, Greg Ward, Mark Scott, Michael Fletcher, Paul Paice, Steven Lyons, Tom Kane and founding member Wade Jackson. Le Mon has come from the Covert Theatre, NZ's top breeding ground for comedy talent. A regular performer in the Covert shows at the festival for the last 7 years, she is delighted to be appearing as a Bandit in the NZ Comedy Festival.

What's it like being the sole woman in a well established group? *"It's just fabulous," says Le Mon, "to play with some brilliant comedians and great people. And just because they're guys, doesn't mean they're less funny."*

This is comedy with a difference where The Improv Bandits live and breathe their motto of no scripts, no gimmicks, no safety net!

"The Improv Bandits are fast, funny and top-notch humans" – Colin Mochrie, *Whose Line Is It Anyway?*

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Auckland

Dates: Tue 1 – Sat 5 May, 8.30pm

Venue: Herald Theatre, 100 Mayoral Drive

Tickets: \$24 – \$28

Bookings: ticketmaster.co.nz // (09)970 9700

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**Performing as part of the 2018 NZ International Comedy Festival
with Best Foods Mayo from 26 April – 20 May.**

For the full line-up of shows in the Festival head to comedyfestival.co.nz