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UBCimprov and Instant Shop Present:

## **IMPULSE International Improv Festival**

March 23

Vanier Ballroom

Doors 6:45, Show 7:00

FREE PREVIEW SHOW

March 24-26

Scarfe 100 Auditorium

Doors 6:45, Show 7:00

\$5 at the Door, \$8 Festival Passes

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VANCOUVER – UBCimprov and Instant Shop are extremely proud to present the 2011 IMPULSE International Improv Festival.

IMPULSE is a five-day improvised theatre festival that will bring together university-aged performers from across Canada and beyond. Audiences will see some of the best young improv talent in the country flex their improv muscles on UBC's stages. In addition to perennial favorites UBCimprov and groups from Ontario, Alberta, Washington State and more, the festival will include performances from some of the top improv acts Vancouver has to offer. Past festivals have seen audiences of over 500 leave campus entertained and hungry for more.

In addition to four nights of performances, experienced performers and green-thumbed beginners alike will get a chance to receive world class improv training from the likes of Alistair Cook (Instant Theatre, Canadian Improv Games), Justin Collette (Flapjacket, Second City), Kaitlin Fontana (Rosa Parks Improv, Ghost Jail Theatre) and Ember Konopaki (Rapidfire Theatre, Pump Trolley Comedy). All of this makes IMPULSE the largest celebration of university improv in Canada.

UBCimprov was founded in 1999 and has been entertaining audiences with their trademark brand of spontaneous comedy ever since. UBCimprov alumni have gone on to perform with the Vancouver Theatre Sports League, The Sunday Service, Instant Theatre, Ghost Jail Theatre, Pump Trolley Comedy, Rapid Fire Theatre, and more. The 2010/2011 cast made its debut as a part of the Vancouver International Improv Festival's UBC showcase in October 2010.

For additional information please visit: [www.ubcimprov.com](http://www.ubcimprov.com) and [instanttheatre.com](http://instanttheatre.com)

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