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SF's LONGEST RUNNING ALL-FEMALE SKETCH GROUP CHARDONNAY PRESENTS WORLD PREMIERE OF *THE FEMALE BAWDY SHOW*

**ALL NEW SKETCH COMEDY SHOW FROM LOCAL AWARD-WINNING SKETCH COMEDY GROUP
PLAYING NOVEMBER 9-17**

San Francisco, CA (October 9, 2018) – The ladies of *Chardonnay* get humorously indecent in this brand new big, buttery, full-bawdied sketch comedy show. *The Female Bawdy Show* is a raucous romp through modern tales of ribaldry. Loin tingling highlights include adult women pony lovers, British S.T.D's, drop crotch pants, and an Instant Pot. That's right, we go there. Let out your inner bawdy beast with *Chardonnay* this November!

Written by PianoFight's resident sketch comedy group and the longest running all-female sketch group, *Chardonnay*, ***The Female Bawdy Show*** has only four performances, November 9-17 on Friday and Saturday nights at 8pm. **Opening Night is Friday, Nov 9 at 8pm.** Performances happen at PianoFight's multi-stage, restaurant and bar venue at 144 Taylor Street in SF. Tickets are \$15–40 and available at pianofight.com.

Chardonnay is written, produced and performed by Kate Jones, Jess Mele, Meredith Terry and Rachel Rockwood with the addition of their newest mangenue, Duncan Wold. The directing team includes Molly Benson, Siobhan Doherty, Catherine Liu, Sara Staley, and Stacey Matthews-Winn.

Audiences and critics have been laughing their faces off at *Chardonnay* shows over the years saying:

“irreverent and timely humor” - *Bay Area Plays*

“comedy infused with leading women and pangs of SF-style social consciousness” - *Somewhere SF*

“hilarious ... forces us to laugh at ourselves”- *Mission Mission*

Who is Chardonnay?

Char*don*nay | ,SHärdn 'ā | noun

1. a variety of white wine grape used for making Champagne and other wines
2. a wine made from this grape
3. a San Francisco-based female-led sketch comedy group that's been winning over audiences with it's variety-show sensibility, biting wit, and smooth, unoaked finish since 2009. Since that time, the group has premiered more than 17 and less than 321 original productions, has appeared in SF Improv Festival, SF SketchFest, and the Women in Comedy Festival, and won PianoFight's *ShortLived* short-play competition in 2015.

PianoFight was formed by Rob Ready, Dan Williams and Kevin Fink in 2007. After completing a \$1.2 million fundraising campaign, 10% of which was crowd-funded through the largest Theater Kickstarter for a New Live Performance Venue ever, PianoFight has completed its home at 144 Taylor Street in San Francisco. The venue contains three rehearsal spaces, two black box theaters (42-seater and a 92-seater), and a full restaurant and bar with a cabaret stage. Since its inception, PianoFight has successfully managed venues (Off-Market Theater Complex); created the largest audience-judged playwriting competition in the country (*ShortLived*); instigated a fully-scripted, choose-your-own-adventure play series (*FORKING!*); recklessly invited audiences to *Throw Rotten Veggies at the Actors Nights*; formed two critically acclaimed sketch comedy groups (Mission CTRL and Chardonnay); toured the coast of California (Endless Weekend Tour I & II); created a surf rock band (Das Haus Band) and a soul band (PianoFight Music Department); launched a film department that retains corporate and artistic clients; and built a three-man producing team into a 48-member company of artists while staying true to its mission of producing New Work by New Artists™. We've also consumed vast oceans of beer and have had one hell of a time in the process. PianoFight is committed to making 144 Taylor St. San Francisco's next landmark entertainment venue.

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The Female Bawdy Show

FACT SHEET

WHO:

By **Chardonnay**

Directed by **Molly Benson, Siobhan Doherty, Catherine Liu, Sara Staley, Stacey Matthews-Winn**

Featuring **Kate Jones, Jessica Mele, Rachel Rockwood, Meredith Terry, Duncan Wold**

WHAT: World Premiere of Sketch Comedy Show ***The Female Bawdy Show***

WHERE: PianoFight
144 Taylor St., San Francisco

WHEN: November 9-17

Fridays & Saturdays at 8:00pm

Opening Night: Friday, October 5 at 8:00pm

COST: \$20-40

TICKETS AND BOX OFFICE: pianofight.com

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