



VCU Brandcenter Friday Forum

Jan. 25th / 11 am – 12:30 pm / VCU Student Commons Theater / 907 Floyd Ave.

Katie Holcomb

Artistic Director / Richmond Comedy Coalition



Katie is co-founder and current Artistic Director of the RCC. In addition to performing with the Mainstage Ensemble and Middle Management, she can be found teaching improv classes at their training center. She just finished working with the nonprofit Art180 to lead an afterschool program with middle school students, which she found incredibly rewarding. Katie got her start improvising in 2000 with ComedySportz Improv Theatre in Richmond where she would later become a member of their coaching staff. She loves what she does an unbearable amount.

Matt Newman

Education Director / Richmond Comedy Coalition



Matt has been with RCC since its first rehearsal in 2009. He runs the RCC's Training Center, performs with RCC's Ensemble and Middle Management, and coaches house team Karate Practice. He started doing improv in 1999 when he joined ComedySportz Richmond, and later spent several years in Chicago where he graduated from iO's training center. Matt is very excited to be performing and teaching with RCC. He is a serious professional.

David Pijor

Communications Director / Richmond Comedy Coalition



In his 10+ years of performing improv, David has been to festivals all around the country, received training from some of the best instructors in the biz. Locally, David has been a founding member of Full Contact Improv, iProv, and now, the Richmond Comedy Coalition where he also serves as instructor, Communications Director and all-around creative dude. Currently, you can see David performing with the RCC Mainstage, Middle Management and ComedySportz. On the rare occasions when he's not performing, you'll find him designing things and growing a beard.

Topic / Live Comedy. Dead Serious.

Descriptor / What it's like when the creative process is your product.

About Richmond Comedy Coalition: The Richmond Comedy Coalition have made a name for themselves as the group to see for smart, relevant comedy in Richmond. Founded in 2009, the RCC houses several improv teams that can be seen performing on rotation in their monthly mainstage shows at Gallery5. Their shows run the gamut from using real life stories, an audience member's Facebook page, or their iTunes library on shuffle as inspiration. Though they may have no scripts, and no clue what will happen in any given show, they've made good on one promise- it will always be hilarious.