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Comedic Tribute to "Back to the Future" Returns to Central Square's ImprovBoston

CAMBRIDGE MA – Fridays at 8pm from September 2nd through October 14th, ImprovBoston presents *1.21 Jigowatts*, a tribute, parody, and labor of love dedicated to the legendary film franchise Back to the Future. *1.21 Jigowatts* is a 75-minute improvised comedy that follows the films' famous characters, including Marty McFly, Doc Brown, Lorraine and George McFly, and Biff Tannen, in an adventure to time periods as suggested by the audience. *1.21 Jigowatts* will take audiences through the space-time continuum while mixing classic situations and character elements with new comic moments that are fresh and hilarious time after (altered) time.

The cast includes seasoned performers Laura Burns, Alex LeBaron, Brendan Mulhern, Ryan Petti, and Lori Strauss, who have studied and performed in comedy theaters across the northeast and throughout the country. The group developed a show in keeping with the tone and key moments of the classic movie while remaining totally improvised.

This time last year, Boston-based comic and producer Rob Crean was doing a Marty McFly impression as part of his stand up set, while separately comedian Dennis Hurley (TV and film credits include The Daily Show, Let Them Chirp A While and Inventory) was creating video sketches of his own Doc Brown character parody. ImprovBoston Geek Week Producer Kevin Harrington enlisted director Peter Fenzel to fill out the cast and develop the show for ImprovBoston's annual Geek Week festival in April 2011. This 6-week run follows a that sold-out performance.

"*1.21 Jigowatts* is a salute to one of the greatest sci-fi comedies of all time. Nestled between two Ivy League institutions, ImprovBoston has always a place in our hearts and our stage for all things Geek, Nerd and Sci-Fi," said ImprovBoston Artistic Director Will Luera. "After a successful run during Geek Week, it made sense to put this show front and center to showcase not only a talented cast and great show but also our utmost respect for a movie that defined 80's sci-fi comic nerds like myself and most of the ImprovBoston community."

Where will Doc and Marty find the elusive 1.21 Jigowatts they need to get Back to the Future this week? Make like a tree and buy a ticket - the night is sure to wow any Back to the Future fan.

DATES AND TIMES: Friday, 9/2 at 8pm; Friday, 9/16 at 8pm; Friday, 9/23 at 8pm; Friday, 9/30 at 8pm; Friday, 10/07 at 8pm; Friday, 10/14 at 8pm

TICKETS: \$16/\$12 for students. Available for purchase at www.improvboston.com/1.21jigowatts or call 617-576-1253.

LOCATION: ImprovBoston, 40 Prospect Street Cambridge, MA

ABOUT IMPROVBOSTON:

Since 1982, ImprovBoston has entertained audiences in New England and around the country with a fresh, funny approach to improv comedy. Voted "Best of Boston" by The Phoenix, Improper Bostonian, and Weekly Dig, ImprovBoston is dedicated to showcasing today's best performers and training tomorrow's stars. With a full calendar of the funniest shows in Boston and nationally-known education and corporate training programs, ImprovBoston is more than just a great comedy club—it's a recognized center for the evolving art of improvisation. ImprovBoston is a registered 501(c)(3).

ABOUT THE CAST:

Pete Fenzel (Director): Pete has studied improv since 2004, at the Upright Citizen's Brigade Theatre in New York City, Magnet Theatre, and ImprovBoston. Pete is a founding writer and podcaster for the comedy/pop culture criticism website www.overthinkingit.com.

Dennis Hurley (Doc Brown): Dennis began his career as a performer at Ithaca College in New York, receiving improvisational training from the Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre in NYC and ImprovBoston. Dennis performs in the sketch comedy group Friends of Gertrude and his duo show, Sawyer and Hurley.

Rob Crean (Marty McFly): Rob is a Boston-based improv and stand up comedian and comedy producer. He Hosts the weekly Friday night show "The Gas" at Great Scott in Allston and the weekly Tuesday night open mic at The Middle East Corner in Cambridge.

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