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The Factory Theater To Open Second Season At New Home

CHICAGO - This Fall, The Factory Theater will open its second season at its home in Rogers Park. The company will produce three plays, each of which will feature a female artist as either writer or director.

"Like many other companies, we have a commitment to representing diverse perspectives on stage" said Artistic Director Scott O'Keefe, "Every play this season is either written by or directed by a female artist. I feel this promotes our mission to produce plays generated by our ensemble and steps up our effort to reflect women's voices in Chicago theater. And to be honest, we just really liked these plays and artists. Because we are committed to inclusivity, this season is less of an outlier, and more a precursor of what's to come."

Season 24 will continue The Factory's legacy of pulpy, entertaining original work. *Zombie Broads* is a fantastical comedy set in the midst of a present-day zombie uprising. *Fight City*, set in 2077, promises stage combat wrapped in a futuristic package.

The entirety of Season 24 will be performed at The Factory Theater at 1623 W Howard St. Season tickets are \$60 for all 3 shows, and are available at thefactorytheater.com.

ABOUT SEASON 24:

ZOMBIE BROADS

by Corbette Pasko and Sara Seigney

Directed by Jan Blixt

Opens October 21, 2016

Closes November 26, 2016

Maxine and Marco, and their book club 'The Zombie Broads', have all the weaponry and knowledge they'll ever need for the zombie uprising. Their daughter, Shelby, is trained for the worst, but would really like to just get a cell phone and date her secret boyfriend. Besides, zombies won't happen. It's not like a scientist is accidentally gonna do anything stupid, right? By the way, you smell really good...delicious even...you should probably run.

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BORN READY

By Stacie Barra

Directed by Wm. Bullion

Opens March 24, 2017

Closes April 29, 2017

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FIGHT CITY

By Scott OKen

Directed by Jill Oliver

Opens July 21, 2017

Closes August 26, 2017

In the dystopian future of 2077 women dominate the new world and keep the peace with their police force the CCPD. There are no more guns, knives are scarce, but crime is still on the rise. The CCPD has the most elite fighters in the region and they keep the peace by doling out hard nosed justice! Officer Barb Davies is the most elite fighter yet has the most level head. Can she make sense of this new world or are we doomed to repeat the endless cycle of violence?

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