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## **Announcing the 2018/2019 Theatre Wire Season: Theatre Wire Package & SeeMore Theatre Package both offer great value September 11, 2018 - July 27, 2019**

Various Venues and Showtimes (see below for details)  
Tickets start at \$19.99 and Packages start at \$52.50  
Tickets and Info: TheatreWire.com

For Immediate Release: July 3, 2018 — Offering independent theatre year-round, Theatre Wire's 2018/2019 season features two package options: the **Theatre Wire Package** and the **SeeMore Theatre Series Package**.

Theatre Wire is a project from the Vancouver Fringe Theatre Society (producers of the Vancouver Fringe Festival), who are working towards "creating an open and vibrant independent theatre community." By promoting the work of independent theatre makers—many of whom got their start at the Fringe—Theatre Wire encourages audiences to engage with up-and-coming artists all year long.

The **Theatre Wire Package** is filled with local favourites including **Zee Zee Theatre** and **Aenigma Theatre** as well as Fringe hit makers, **Mike Delamont** and **Kahlil Ashanti**—plus we're partnering with **Monster Theatre** to present **Theatre Under the Gun**, the 48-hour play creation competition, for the first time since 2011! See three or more shows and get 20% off tickets when you buy tickets to three or more shows.

Then there's the **SeeMore Theatre Series Package**! We're partnering with independent theatre companies currently in the residency program at the ANNEX. Collectively known as **SeeMore Theatre, Pi Theatre, Delinquent Theatre, rice & beans theatre, and Alley Theatre** have partnered to provide an amazing deal for theatre lovers. See all four shows for just \$79—that's less than \$20 per show! But there are only 100 SeeMore Theatre Packages available.

"With Theatre Wire, we are proud to play a role in providing audiences with even more opportunities to spend time with and hear incredible stories from talented artists," Vancouver Fringe Theatre Society Executive Director Laura Efron says. "If you love to immerse yourself in the world of independent theatre during the 11-day Fringe in September, I encourage you to make time during the year to have those same amazing experiences."

Individual tickets for these shows will be available in addition to the other shows and events Theatre Wire provides ticketing services to, including the **Tremors Festival** and the **Vancouver Writers Festival**.

Check out the shows that are available now as part of the SeeMore Theatre Series Package and the Theatre Wire Package:

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## **SeeMore Theatre Package**

*ANNEX (823 Seymour St)*

*Tickets start at \$19.99 or choose the Package and see four shows for \$79*

*Tickets and Info: [theatrewire.com/seemore-theatre-package](http://theatrewire.com/seemore-theatre-package)*

## **Hir**

*Pi Theatre*

*November 22 - December 8, 2018*

Taylor Mac's timely and darkly comedic interpretation of the classic dysfunctional family. Isaac has returned from the wars only to discover a household in revolt. Arnold, the patriarch, has become disabled, leaving Paige liberated from an oppressive and abusive marriage. Isaac's sibling Max, is a newly out transgender teen with a thing or two to teach the world. And Isaac? He has to come to terms with where his loyalties really live.

## **Never the Last**

*Delinquent Theatre*

*April 9 – 20, 2019*

Berlin 1919: A violin prodigy and composer meets an expressionist painter and war veteran. She is passionate, rude, and gifted; he is witty, emotional, and compassionate. Their love affair spans 10 years, four cities, artistic successes and failures, and tragedy. Nearly 100 years later, the most essential record of their time together lives in Sophie Carmen Eckhardt-Gramatté's 10 violin compositions.

## **Chicken Girl**

*rice & beans theatre*

*May 28 – June 7, 2019*

Following the surreal adventures of a 24-hour Chinese fried chicken restaurant worker investigating the mysterious disappearance of her boss, Uncle Chan; a homesick intergalactic rock star drifting through space looking for his home planet; and a submariner embarking on a one-way pilgrimage to a legendary forest at the bottom of the sea with the help of a human-sized cat.

## **#whatnow**

*Alley Theatre*

*July 18 – 27, 2019*

A verbatim theatre/dance creation about sex and hashtags. #realstories #experimental #youhavetoseeitknowmore #whatthe%@!\*isahashtaganyway #nastywoman #naughtygirl #feminist #thisshitgoingtogetreal #etceteraetcetera

## **Theatre Wire Package**

*Various Venues*

*Tickets start at \$25 or choose 3+ shows and get 20% off tickets*

*Tickets and Info: [theatrewire.com/theatre-wire-packages](http://theatrewire.com/theatre-wire-packages)*

### **Razor**

*Kahlil Ashanti*

*November 7-9, 2018 at Studio 1398*

In 2003 the largest supermarket strike in history locked out over 70,000 workers. Broke, discouraged, and unable to find acting work, Kahlil finds himself crossing picket lines during the strike to stock shelves for less than minimum wage. His coworkers—hardened criminals and ex-cons from a local halfway house—expose Kahlil to transformative but hard truths about incarceration, poverty, and social change.

### **The How and the Why**

*Aenigma Theatre*

*November 14-18, 2018 at Studio 1398*

From Sarah Treem (*House of Cards*) comes a thought-provoking play about science, family, and the difficult choices women face. Rachel, a promising evolutionary biologist, visits Zelda, a world-renowned scientist and pioneer. When Rachel posits a radical hypothesis to explain why women menstruate, Zelda's ground-breaking work, the "Grandmother Hypothesis," is challenged.

### **Soul Samurai**

*Affair of Honor*

*November 27 – December 2, 2018 at Studio 1398*

One part samurai revenge epic. Two parts hip-hop combat extravaganza. One part queer vampire love story. All parts badass, pulpy fun. Welcome to *Soul Samurai*. In a post-apocalyptic Manhattan, young samurai Dewdrop is on a mission to avenge the death of her lover at the hands of the Long Tooth Gang. But she'll have to battle burnouts, shoguns, flashbacks, and her wise-ass b-boy sidekick.

### **God is a Scottish Drag Queen: A Christmas Special**

*Mike Delamont*

*December 5-7, 2018 at Studio 1398*

From 20-time Best of the Fest winner Mike Delamont comes an all new, hilarious, and intimate chapter of the most popular Fringe franchise in history! God, dressed in that familiar power suit, comes down to skewer everything from fruit cake to Santa Claus in an all new evening of hilarity celebrating the birth of Jesus! Plus during the December 7 performance, we're celebrating Fringemas! Join us for extra merriment before the show. More details can be found at [TheatreWire.com](http://TheatreWire.com).

### **Theatre Under the Gun**

*Monster Theatre*

*February 13, 2019 at Performance Works*

It's deadline driven, insomnia fueled creation at its best. Six Vancouver theatre companies receive an inspiration package, and have only 48 hours to race against the clock and create an original piece of theatre! See six short plays created during this 48-hour play creation competition in one night! Hosted by *Monster Theatre* and co-presented by the Fringe, *Theatre Under the Gun* is one of the most epic, exciting, surprising, and electric theatre events of the season.

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**Dead People's Things**

*Zee Zee Theatre*

*April 17-May 5, 2019 at Studio 16*

Phyllis, a Millennial, inherits a house and all its contents after her estranged hoarder aunt commits suicide. She must work with neighbour Beatrice, a Baby Boomer who has been named executrix, to try and make sense of the life and death of a woman she barely knew through the things she left behind.

Visit [TheatreWire.com](http://TheatreWire.com) for more information, to buy tickets and/or packages, and to sign up for the Theatre Wire newsletter.

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