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## **Announcing The Go Comedy! Improv Theater**

FERNDALE, MI – Construction has begun on the new Go Comedy! Improv Theater scheduled to open this fall. The theater will offer improv and sketch comedy five nights a week, as well as a full bar, samplings from local restaurants and GoU: The Improv Academy – providing improv training for performers and non-performers alike.

Go Comedy! Improv Theater is the brainchild of Pj Jacokes (Ferndale), Chris DiAngelo (Waterford), Tommy LeRoy (Ferndale) and Gerald Knight (Ann Arbor). While Go Comedy! is the first business venture for this comedy quartet, Jacokes, LeRoy and DiAngelo have spent the past ten years collectively working in various capacities for The Second City (Detroit, Cleveland and Chicago), The Planet Ant, The Improv Inferno, The Purple Rose, Meadowbrook Theatre, The Furniture Factory, The University of Michigan's CRLT Players, and Totally Unrehearsed Theater at The Comedy Castle, among others. Knight, the president and majority partner, is a retired high school teacher, currently co-owner of Heat Controller, Inc and President of Speckhard-Knight Charitable Foundation.

Located at 261 E. Nine Mile in Ferndale (Previously the Ferndale office of the Michigan Secretary of State), the theater is designed by Architects International's Ted Berlinghof, and built by Designstruct under the supervision of John McCann, Lloyd Welch and Steve DuMont. When completed, the space will be a high-tech, 75-seat cabaret theater and bar.

"It's great to be able to find this space in downtown Ferndale," said Jacokes. "We're really excited to be here. It feels like a perfect match." The theater is on the booming east side of Woodward Ave., where new construction is abundant, including new lofts, law offices and a library expansion.

Set to open in early fall, Go Comedy! will hold auditions in August for a resident company and two house improv teams. Additional wait & bar staff will be hired. "It's tremendously exciting to watch our dream realized," said DiAngelo. "It's our hope that we can inspire actors and audiences, in the same way we were, when we first started."

Go Comedy! Improv Theater is a shining new addition to downtown Ferndale. Upon opening, Go Comedy! will offer the finest in improv and sketch comedy, a fully realized training center and already offers road shows, classes and workshops available for private parties, corporations and schools. For more information, call 248.327.0575; visit our website at [www.gocomedy.net](http://www.gocomedy.net) or e-mail Producer, Pj Jacokes directly at [pj@gocomedy.net](mailto:pj@gocomedy.net).

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