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Josh Sharp Sings! Live!

D'Angelo detour



NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS — **Josh Sharp** is a NYCbased comedian best known for his role as a citizen journalist in Comedy Central's "The Opposition w/ Jordan Klepper." His delightfully lewd musical "F*cking Identical Twins" did a year-long NYC run and is in development as a feature at 20th Century Fox. He's here on **Saturday**, **July 14**, **at 8pm**, with a music-andcomedy performance that exists entirely within one long cover of a D'Angelo song. Yes!

Josh Sharp isn't always crafting comedy sets to the groovy sounds of R&B classics. On the "The Daily Show" spin-off, "The Opposition with Jordan Klepper," Sharp plays an over-the-top far-right provocateur alongside frequent collaborator Aaron Jackson,

proving themselves what Vulture calls "capable, funny, subversive, and refreshing late-night voices."

Jackson and Sharp also created the irreverent sketch-turned-musical F*cking Identical Twins, which *Playbill* describes as a "subversive musical spin" on the comedic film "The Parent Trap." Named one of New York Comedy Festival's "Best in Sketch," the production was optioned as a feature film. It's just one of many projects Sharp developed while studying at the famed Upright Citizens Brigade, including the Forrest Gump parody, GUMP, and the popular experimental late-night show, Cool Sh*t, Weird Sh*t.

Still fresh to the comedy world, the ultra-creative and musically gifted comedian is turning heads with his irreverent plots and wry writing (and, of course, D'Angelo covers). Sharp was named to *Vulture*'s 2015 list of "Comics You Should Know," was named a "Comic to Watch" by *Time Out New York* in 2014, and is lauded by Comedy Central and Funny Or Die, where he produced and co-starred in the satirical series, "Jared & Ivanka."

Expect to laugh all night outside with us on the Dré Pavilion on **Saturday**, **July 14**, **at 8pm**. Lickety Split, MASS MoCA's in-house café, serves up fresh salads, homemade soup, and lip-smacking pub fare. The MASS MoCA bar is always well-stocked with local beer from Bright Ideas Brewing and Berkshire Mountain Distillery spirits. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$12 for students, \$22 day of, and \$36 for preferred. Tickets for all events are available through the MASS MoCA box office located at the museum, open 10am to 6pm Sundays through Wednesdays, and 10am to 7pm Thursdays through Saturdays. Tickets can also be charged by phone by calling 413.662.2111 x1 during box office hours or purchased online at massmoca.org. In the event of inclement weather, this event will be held in MASS MoCA's Club B10.

Images

High-resolution images of MASS MoCA's summer 2018 events are available through this link: <u>bit.ly/mm2018summer</u>.

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Gallery admission is \$20 for adults, \$18 for veterans and seniors, \$12 for students, \$8 for children 6 to 16, and free for children 5 and under. Members are admitted free year-round. For additional information: $\frac{413.662.2111 \text{ x1}}{1000 \text{ x1}}$ or visit massmoca.org.

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10am to 6pm, Sundays-Wednesdays 10am to 7pm, Thursdays-Saturdays

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