

## Podtalk: Desiree Burcum of 'Yippie Fest,' at the Prop Theatre in Chicago, Aug. 17-19, 2018

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CHICAGO – It's the 2nd annual Yippie Fest in Chicago at the Prop Thtr (Theatre), and the three days of Theater, Performance, Music, Film, Comedy and more kicks off with the 2018 Opening Ceremonies on Friday, August 17th, and runs through Sunday, August 19th. The Fest evolved from the spirit of Mary-Arrchie Theater's Abbie Hoffman Fest, which ran from 1989 to 2016. The Fest also celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the Yippies (Youth International Party) in Chicago, during the Vietnam protests in August of 1968. The whole world was watching. For more information on Yippie Fest, including tickets, [click here](#). [23]



Desiree Burcum (white coat) of 'Famous in the Future,' Part of the 2nd Yippie Fest in Chicago

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The 2018 Yippie Fest is co-produced by founder Frank Carr and Tina Teske, and the Talent Coordinator is Desiree Burcum. The three also perform in the sketch comedy troupe, "Famous in the Future," also featuring Michael Hora and Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com. "Famous" will perform at Yippie Fest on Saturday, August 18th at 8:30pm. They join a huge contingency of nearly 100 acts (schedule link below), representing the best and most Yippie-spirited of Chicago performance art.

**In the following Podtalk, Desiree Burcum talks with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com about Yippie Fest highlights, women-in-comedy aspects and how to save a life by convincing someone to come to Yippie Fest.**

*Yippie Fest will take place at the Prop Thtr – 3502 North Elston Avenue in Chicago – from August 17th through 19th, 2018. For the complete schedule of the 2018 Yippie Fest, [click here](#). [24] Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com will also present his "Best of..." Chicago local short films at Yippie Fest (Sunday, Aug. 19, 5pm), celebrating his 10th anniversary as a Chicago film writer and critic.*



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