

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: SHOW UR STUFF

### ABOUT SHOW UR STUFF:

**SHOW UR STUFF** is designed to share works in progress and support audience-choreographer dialogue through mediated conversation. Nina Milanovski is excited to collaborate with Sara Porter Productions as a Guest Curator for the first edition of SHOW UR STUFF.

**SHOW UR STUFF** offers a space to question art, value, self-understanding and audience interpretation. We support the creative urges of artists and the appetites of audiences. We encourage artistic risk in making work, in revealing ourselves onstage, and in community through performance and discussion. We work to practice, build, discover and utilize language that supports respectful challenge and questioning to help artists and audiences grow.

**SHOW UR STUFF** welcomes works in any phase of development, any genre, from artists at any stage in their career.

**DATE:** Wednesday, April 10th 8pm

**LOCATION:** IGAC Studio, 180 Shaw Street #103

**COST :** \$10 participation fee for artists showing work

### WHAT WE PROVIDE:

- 2-8 minutes of stage time
- Generous, guided feedback on your work
- Footage of both your showing and feedback
- Sound – aux cord - someone to turn sound on/off
- Lights – overhead - someone to turn lights on/off

### NOTES ABOUT CURATION FROM NINA:

Works will be selected on a first-come-first-served basis. SHOW UR STUFF is interested in queering and complicating the notion of curating - focusing on curating a space that welcomes participants to fail, make mistakes, and take risks in order to grow, develop and build community. We welcome works-in-progress that are imperfect, incomplete, and “unready”. We welcome artists in the process of figuring out how to make a section “work”, how to achieve something they’ve never done, or work through an inspirational block.



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We recognize that the artistic process is full of ups and downs and believe there is a benefit to working in front of others to problem solve in real time. We are looking for artists and audiences interested in questioning the process and parameters for artistic value, questioning success and curious about how we can use these questions to create new languages about the work we make and present.

Nina and Sara are both queer, contemporary, movement performers who create work that prioritizes accessibility, audience engagement, and foregrounding queer perspectives and modes of approaching conversation. We value exploration, curiosity, and effort.

## ABOUT THE SPACE:

The performance space is approximately 20' x 25' and is equipped with a sound system, and sprung floors. The building and studio are accessible spaces. See more about [IGAC Studio](#).

We acknowledge that IGAC is located on the land of the Huron Wendat, Anishinabe, Houdanoshonee and Missiaugas of the Credit and has been tended by many nations of Indigenous peoples for thousands of years. These nations continue to struggle for proper place, respect and treaties with settler governments and people. We acknowledge our responsibility to care for this land, for each other, and to continually be in pursuit of better ways of listening and living together. We aim to practice this in all our activities and modes of communication.

## ABOUT THE AUDIENCE:

Bring your friends, peers, and supporters. The space can house up to 35 seated patrons. There is extra space on the floor for those comfortable to attend that way.

## HOW TO APPLY:

Participants are accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Submissions will be accepted starting on **Sunday, March 24th at 12:00 PM EST** via email. Interested artists should send an email to [saraporterproductions@gmail.com](mailto:saraporterproductions@gmail.com) from **Sunday, March 24th at 12:00 PM EST** onwards with the subject line: **SHOW UR STUFF SUBMISSION - APRIL 10TH**. Please include the following information in the body of your email:

**Full Name**

**Pronouns**

**Phone Number**

**Title of Work (if applicable)**

**Length of Material (2-8 minutes)**



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**A couple of sentences about what you will show (not required)**

**Number of Performers (max 10)**

**Are you open to feedback / discussion?**

**Do you have any questions you want to address?**

**Anything we should notify the audience about? I.e. nudity, triggering content etc.**

**The first five artists to email** will have a guaranteed showing slot and the next five artists will have a spot on the waitlist. Artists with a guaranteed showing slot will be asked to pay a \$10.00 participation fee. If the fee poses a barrier to participation please email [saraporterproductions@gmail.com](mailto:saraporterproductions@gmail.com) - No one will be turned away due to lack of funds. Artists on the waitlist will be notified if we can offer a guaranteed showing slot via email by Monday, April 1st.

Please send any queries / thoughts / hesitations to us at [saraporterproductions@gmail.com](mailto:saraporterproductions@gmail.com).

## **ABOUT SARA PORTER PRODUCTIONS:**

At Sara Porter Productions - we believe that art is for everyone, both to make and to enjoy. We make performance, creative and educational projects that highlight play and exploration, based in personal storytelling. We take a multidisciplinary & inclusive approach to art-making: integrating movement, language, ideas, science and personal experience to build artworks and creative communities that centre on humility, honesty, rigour and investigative play. We centre our work on foregrounding voices that live outside mainstream art communities, including mothers, elderly, queer and new generation voices. The company's work is informed by feminist and queer perspectives. Sara Porter Productions takes an inclusive – and broad-reaching - approach to art-making and sharing.

**SHOW UR STUFF** is a collaboration between Guest Curator Nina Milanovski & Sara Porter Productions to fulfill the company mandate of community building and intergenerational mentorship.

