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**BLACK  
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**JUNE 4 @ 7PM ET**

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# **Black and Blue**

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CREATED & PERFORMED BY **REYNALDO PINIELLA**

DIRECTED BY **KEVIN R. FREE**

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**Reynaldo Piniella** was seen on Broadway in *Trouble in Mind* and *Thoughts of a Colored Man*. Off-Broadway credits include work at Signature, TFANA, Rattlestick, NYTW Next Door, Working Theater and the Public Theater. Regional work includes Baltimore Center Stage, Syracuse Stage, St. Louis Shakespeare Festival, Actors Theatre of Louisville, Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, O'Neill, Sundance Theatre Lab, Cleveland Play House. As a playwright, his work has been developed and commissioned by Baltimore Center Stage, San Diego Rep, The Civilians, Single Carrot Theater, HB Studio, Shakesqueer Theater Company and the Lee Strasberg Institute. @ReynaldoRey. [www.reynaldopiniella.com](http://www.reynaldopiniella.com)

**Kevin R. Free** is a multidisciplinary artist whose work as an actor, writer, director and producer has been showcased and developed in many places, including The Moth Radio Hour; Project Y Theater; Flux Theater Ensemble; the Queerly Festival (of which he is now the curator), and The Fire This Time Festival, where he served as Producing Artistic Director for 5 years, winning an Obie for his work in 2015. His most recent directing credits include *Where We Stand* (Portland Stage); *Red Rainbow* (Waterwell); *Barbecue* (Hofstra University); and *Marcus; or The Secret of Sweet* (UNLV). Twitter/Instagram: @kevinrfree [www.kevinrfree.com](http://www.kevinrfree.com)

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<b>5/30</b>	<b>5/31</b>	<b>6/1</b>	<b>6/2</b>	<b>6/3</b>	<b>6/4</b>
			<b>7PM</b> Catalina La O Presenta: Now With Me <b>9PM</b> Bill, Bill, Billz	<b>7PM</b> Something's in the Water at Abortion Beach!	<b>7PM</b> Black and Blue
<b>6/6</b>	<b>6/7</b>	<b>6/8</b>	<b>6/9</b>	<b>6/10</b>	<b>6/11</b>
<b>7PM</b> I'll be in my Hanukkah palace	<b>7PM</b> deadbodydeadbodydeadbody	<b>7PM</b> The Apostle Peter and His Lover John, Also an Apostle	<b>7PM</b> my saturday night did NOT go as planned :)	<b>7PM</b> Rip Her To Shreds	<b>7PM</b> untitled Waifu play.
<b>6/13</b>	<b>6/14</b>	<b>6/15</b>	<b>6/16</b>	<b>6/17</b>	<b>6/18</b>
<b>7PM</b> *keysmash*	<b>7PM</b> My Cousin Nelu Is Not Gay	<b>7PM</b> Tiresias Presents HYPERFANTASIA	<b>7PM</b> Tia Talk <b>9PM</b> SHOWGASM. ANT Fest Edition		

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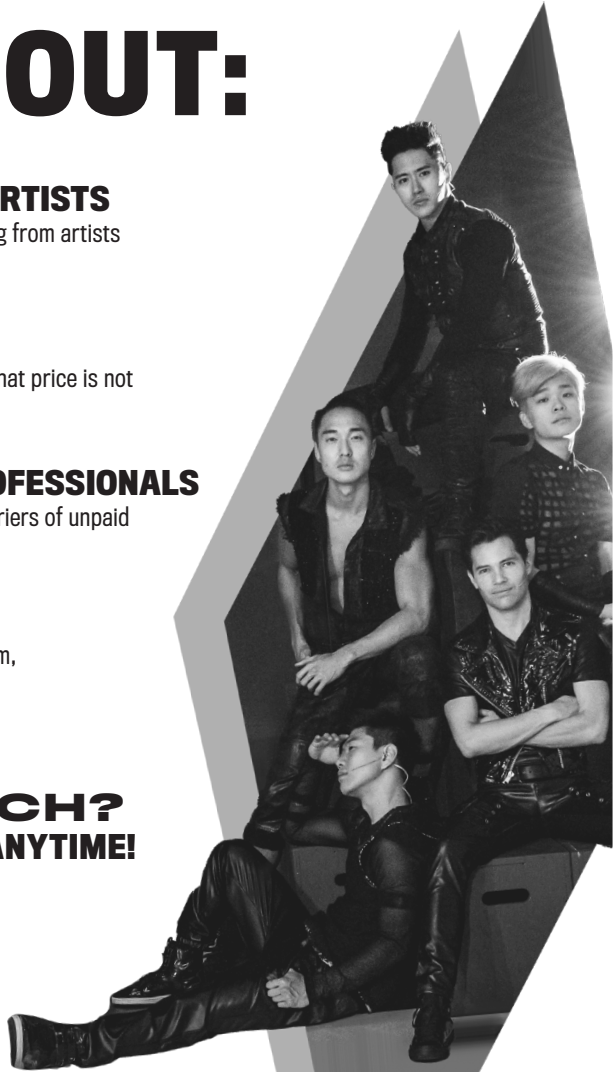
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