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TOP GUN! THE MUSICAL

Featuring: **Drew Carnwath, Dmitry Chepovetsky, David Collins, Steven Gallagher, Alison Lawrence, Racheal McCaig and Mary Francis Moore**

Directed by: **Colin Viebrock** Music by: **Scott White**

Written by: **Denis McGrath** Produced by: **Derrick Chua**

Toronto, Ontario… Cattle Productions is pleased to announce the World Premiere of **Top Gun! The Musical** at the Toronto Fringe Festival (**July 3 - 14, 2002**), playing at the historic Factory Theatre Mainspace. **Top Gun! The Musical** is sponsored by easyDNS Technologies and its website is www.topgunthemusical.com.

Singing. Satire. Subtext. All at Mach 3! If you see only one musical comedy about mounting a mega-musical, make it **Top Gun! The Musical**. You'll laugh. You'll hum. You'll believe a jet can fly!

For anyone who's ever cringed through Cats, felt the need for speed or wondered, "who thought THAT would be a good idea?", comes this new satirical musical. Writer Billy Palmer's about to crash and burn. His musical adaptation of Top Gun is going off the rails and Billy really needs a hit after the debacle of *Apocalypse Wow!* Instead he's saddled with a quarrelling cast, a shady ex-Navy Seal producer and a bit of bad luck. Now if only everyone would stop singing!

Top Gun! The Musical features a cast of some of the top musical / theatre performers in the city, including **Drew Carnwath** (Buddy in *Buddy Holly Story*, *Anne of Green Gables*, *Grease*, *Threepenny Opera*), **Dmitry Chepovetsky** (*Jacques Brel is Alive and Well*, *Rocky Horror Picture Show*, Picasso in MTC's *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, the young Fox Mulder in *The X-Files*), **David Collins** (*Adventures of a Black Girl in Search of God*, TPM's *The Lady Smith*, YPT's *Treasure Island*, CanStage, Shaw, Vancouver Playhouse), **Steven Gallagher** (Charlie Brown in *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown*, Joseph in *Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, Ritchie Valens in *The Buddy Holly Story*, *Godspell*, *Rocky Horror Picture Show*), **Alison Lawrence** (co-creator and co-star of hit *Bittergirls*, *Nurse Jane Goes To Hawaii* at Grand, Buddies, YPT, Tarragon & Shaw Festival), **Racheal McCaig** (Philia in *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, The Narrator in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*), and **Mary Francis Moore** (co-creator and co-star *Bittergirls* and *Synchronecessity*, also *AC 198*, *Model Homes, Girls and Horses*, and *Grendelmaus*). The music for **Top Gun! The Musical** is composed by **Scott White** (composer of *Dance of the Dead*, performer / musical director for *Two Pianos, Four Hands*, *Tent Meeting*, *Fire, Always…Patsy Cline*, *Buddy Holly Story*).

Top Gun! The Musical will be performed at **Factory Theatre Mainspace**, 125 Bathurst Street (at Adelaide). Showtimes are: **Friday, July 5 at 9:00 pm; Saturday, July 6 at 1:30 pm; Sunday, July 7 at 8:00 pm; Tuesday, July 9 at 1:30 pm; Thursday, July 11 at 4:30 pm; Friday, July 12 at 9:30 pm; and Saturday, July 13 at 3:00 pm.**

Website (including press photos & bios): www.topgunthemusical.com

Tickets are $8.00. Advance Tickets ($10) and Passes also available
For more information, contact the *Fringe* Box Office / Hotline at 416-966-1062.