



Dear Friends,

We are asking you to help us #savethelaughs by becoming a Patron of the Oklahoma City Improv Foundation.

You may have attended one of our improv shows. You may have trained with our amazing instructors. You may have even performed with us. You know the healing power of laughter. If you are anything like the members of the Oklahoma City Improv Community, laughter has helped you survive one of the most traumatic years any of us can remember.

Unfortunately, we are not going to be able to survive much longer without your help. One year ago, we temporarily closed our doors. We hated to do it, but we did to keep our performers and our patrons safe from the public health risks associated with the COVID-19 crisis. In that time, we've done what we could to continue spreading joy through the art of improvisational comedy. We've taught improv classes online, in smaller socially distanced classes, and conducted improv shows streamed live on Facebook. Sadly, these changes have come at a significant cost and **we are facing the prospect of shutting the doors of our theater permanently.**

This decision comes at the worst possible time, too. Recently, we re-opened our theater for the first time in a year to showcase the talent of our recent group of improv students. Soon after, we will be unveiling the online debut of our newest improv troupe made up entirely of vaccinated essential first responders and health care workers. On April 2, 2021, we have BIG plans to re-open our theater to the public for live shows. We even hope to begin hosting open-mic nights for local stand-up comedians and expand bar operations in the summer.

### **We need your help.**

We are asking you to help us #savethelaughs by becoming a Patron of the Oklahoma City Improv Foundation. Our goal is to raise \$50,000.00 by May 1, 2021 so that we can continue spreading love, light, and laughter to our community and the public until we can resume normal operations. And, because the Oklahoma City Improv Foundation is a tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization, all of your deductions are tax deductible.

Any donation helps. We are rewarding Patrons with the perks listed below based on the amount of your gift. Because we are improvisors, though, if there are other ways we can honor your gift, just ask. We are prone to saying "yes, and..."



<b>Audience Participation Patron \$250.00 Donation</b>	<b>Barrel of Laughs Patron \$500.00 Donation</b>	<b>Yes, and Patron \$1000.00 Donation</b>	<b>Star of the Show Patron \$2000.00 Donation</b>
Recognition on OKC Improv's upcoming online "#savethelaughs WALL OF FAME!"	Recognition on OKC Improv's upcoming online "#savethelaughs WALL OF FAME!"	Recognition on OKC Improv's upcoming online "#savethelaughs WALL OF FAME!"	Recognition on OKC Improv's upcoming online "WALL OF FAME!"
No cost admission to 12 improv shows from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022.	No cost admission to 12 improv shows from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022	No cost admission to improv shows from May 1, 2021 April 30, 2022.	No cost admission to improv shows from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022.
A 20% discount on improv classes from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022.	One no cost improv class from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022.	Unlimited no cost improv classes from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022.	Unlimited no cost improv classes from May 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022.
			One free private improv show for you and 25 guests in the OKC Improv Theater.

If you want to help us #savethelaughs, email our Executive Director, Kendon Lacy ([executivedirector@okcimprov.com](mailto:executivedirector@okcimprov.com)). You can also donate by going to:

[tickets.okcimprov.com](https://tickets.okcimprov.com)      PayPal: [paypal.me/okcimprov](https://paypal.me/okcimprov)      Venmo: @okcimprov

From the members of the entire OKC Improv Community, thank you.  
Sincerely,

Bob Mann

Tay Sha Howell

Katie Carter

Jacob L. Rowe

Eric Chase

