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The Comedy of Hamlet....Kinda Sorta
Plays at the Marcus Center this May!

MILWAUKEE, WI – The Marcus Performing Arts Center is excited to co-present The Comedy of Hamlet..Kinda Sorta with writer/director, Patrick Schmitz. The performances will feature the Shakesparody Players and will take place in Wilson Theater at Vogel Hall on May 14-16. Tickets go on sale this Friday, February 7 and can be purchased in person at the Marcus Center Box Office at 929 North Water Street, Downtown Milwaukee, by phone at 414-273-7206, or online at MarcusCenter.org or Ticketmaster.com. Groups of 10 or more SAVE! and should call Groups Sales at 414-273-7121 x210 or x213.

A parody retelling of the original story with contemporary language and a comedic bite. Hamlet, Prince of Denmark, finds out that his uncle Claudius killed his father to obtain the throne, and plans revenge...kinda sorta. The cast, full of comedy heavyweights, keeps the audience on their toes with fast-paced quipping and engaging antics.

Recommended for ages 13 and up.
Written and Directed By Patrick Schmitz
Starring the Shakesparody Players

Patrick Schmitz Bio:
Patrick is in his seventh year as the theatre teacher at Brown Deer High School. He is a local playwright from Milwaukee and The Comedy of Romeo and Juliet... kinda sorta is the twelfth play he’s written. He has worked as the lead improvisation coach at First Stage Children’s Theater for 20 years. He has performed/taught for Comedy Sportz, taken classes through Second City and IO in Chicago, and has performed stand-up comedy throughout the state. He's worked as the co-producer for the Milwaukee Comedy Festival and he is also the founder/artistic director for a guerilla theatre operation called Sketch 22.

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About Marcus Performing Arts Center
Established in 1969, the Marcus Performing Arts Center is the premier performing arts community gathering space in Southeastern Wisconsin. As the Marcus Center celebrates its 50th anniversary, it continues to build bridges between diverse members of our community through high-quality arts entertainment in the region and the state. The touring Broadway series, sponsored by Johnson Financial Group, is recognized as bringing the best of Broadway entertainment to Milwaukee for the past 20 years and provides opportunities to educate, entertain and engage audiences. The Marcus Center is also the home to the Milwaukee Symphony, Milwaukee Ballet, Florentine Opera, First Stage plus a variety of other important community and family events throughout the year. For more information about events visit the Marcus Center website at www.MarcusCenter.org. The Marcus Center is a private non-profit 501(c) 3 corporation and is a dedicated veterans memorial in Milwaukee.