



A WORD FROM OUR HOST, JOHN C. HUME

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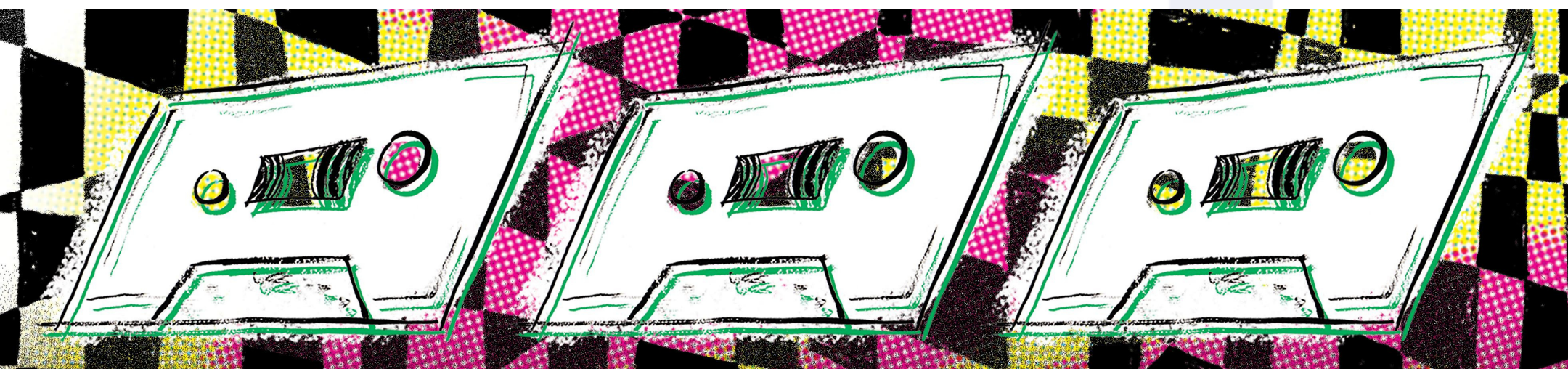
The downtown performance world was rocked to its core this afternoon at the announcement that the self-proclaimed “darling of downtown” cabaret, John C. Hume, would not be hosting this week’s AOP Mixtape at Joe’s Pub, as previously announced.

“We are rocked to our core.” said AOP Artistic Director, Mila Henry.

The news sent shock waves through the downtown theater community, especially when it came to light why Mr. Hume would not be appearing.

“It’s bizarre, frankly.” said Ms. Henry. “John was in his trailer, at his home in Connecticut, doing hair and make-up tests for the show just as he always does because of course he has one of those fancy makeup mirrors that allows you to go from a day to night look easily when...and none of us can fathom how this would even happen but...well it turns out the trailer was accidentally hitched to a truck. And that truck is on a nonstop cross country trip delivering chickens from Connecticut to Montana.”

Concerns regarding Mr. Hume residing in and rehearsing for this show in rural Connecticut were raised early in the Mixtape development process, but as Mr. Hume’s fiancé Dr. Nicholas Harbison pointed out “John was insistent on rehearsing close to home so he could keep an eye on our chickens. The irony of him accidentally being hitched to a chicken truck and hauled off to no one knows exactly where...? Well, that is certainly not lost on me.”





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Dr. Harbison confirmed that John had recently restocked the mini fridge in the trailer with “plenty of airplane size bottles of vodka and Cheez-Its” so friends and family are not concerned for Mr. Hume’s immediate well-being, though they are disappointed he will not be hosting this week’s AOP event.

Requests for comments from the cross-country chicken hauling company ChickenTruckers-R-Us were not immediately returned but it was reported on BroadwayWorld.com last fall that a similar situation occurred with the same company when Emmy award-winner Christine Baranski’s trailer was accidentally removed from an on-location site in Nassau County, NY while she was there filming HBO’s “The Gilded Age” with Ms. Baranski in it. In that case, the truck was stopped by authorities at the entrance to the Whitestone Bridge and Ms. Baranski was returned safely.

“How these people can get away with ‘accidentally’ absconding with big stars like John and Christine Baranski is beyond me. And why the drivers don’t have cell phones...or CB radios? Well, it makes no sense.” commented Ms. Henry.

“We will miss John this week and hope for his swift, safe return but of course the show must go on.”

The now host-less AOP Mixtape will play Joe’s Pub on Thursday April 14, now with the addition of Takesha Meshé Kizart-Thomas.

Tickets are still available at our LINK IN BIO.

