

**“YUPPIES” TO BE RELEASED SEPTEMBER 20
FOLLOWING PREMIERE SCREENING AT MUSIC BOX THEATRE**

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CHICAGO – *Yuppies*, a new web series about a group of young aspiring professionals living in modern-day Chicago, will premiere at an exclusive showing at Music Box Theatre (3733 N. Southport Ave.) on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. The series will be released in its entirety on Amazon’s Prime Video the following Friday, September 20. The premiere screening is presented by Second City’s 1959 Kitchen & Bar.

Yuppies is a six-episode comedy series inspired by true events that explores the inner and outer effects and perspectives of depression through the creator’s firsthand experiences. The series keeps a comedic twist on the sometimes-sensitive topic of depression through stories of events including the accidental theft from an alleged mobster, being a victim of a woman’s crime spree and creating a new dating app.

The series follows Decker (played by creator and writer Colin Bowles), who has just moved to Chicago to reconnect with his college buddies, Danny (John Love) and Joe (Gideon Redic), as he also runs from his past. Decker quickly learns that the big city is a hard place to adapt to, and finds himself in an inopportune yet unique non-relationship with Vanessa (Sarah Lucas), who is the roommate of Joe’s girlfriend, Heidi (Alexa Erbach). Decker finds familiarity and comfort in old friends as he looks to find himself and his purpose in a new city. *Yuppies* explores the culture of Chicago for a group of twenty-somethings living in the city and some of the odd jobs, experiences and people that it offers.

The *Yuppies* cast includes local Chicagoans who have formally trained with the famed Second City (alumni include Steve Carrell, Tina Fey, Bill Murray), and features cameos by MLB pitcher, 2013 World Series champion and current MLB Network studio analyst Ryan Dempster, as well as Second City Mainstage cast member Andrew Knox and Second City Touring Company cast members Rob Wilson and Dan Bazaldua.

Yuppies also features music from bands and artists based in Chicago. A working playlist with songs featured in the series can be found [here](#).

Though inspired by true events, *Yuppies* is not a biography of creator Colin Bowles’ life, but rather a series of similar events that reflect his feelings and experiences – two significant occurrences including the loss of both his mother (from breast cancer) and his long-time girlfriend, who was killed in a car accident within a year. Those tragedies, along with other unforeseen circumstances, led him to move away from his hometown of Indianapolis and completely change career paths, going from TV sports anchor in rural West Virginia to comedy writer and performer in the heart of Chicago. Bowles wrote his self-played character to be a heightened version of his own feelings, insecurities and experiences.

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