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Brava presents
Not My F*ing President's Day**
Evening of Comedy
If we can't laugh it's not our resistance

Sunday, February 17 – 7pm
Brava Theater Center



Come up for air from the news cycle with *Not My F***ing President's Day Comedy Show*, a night of stand up to soothe the Trumpian blues with the best medicine. Because there's no better way to honor the office of the president than to mock the man who doesn't belong in it. Featuring comedian Sampson McCormick, with Shanti Charan, Kiran Deol, Matt Lieb, Carmen Morales, and your host Francesca Fiorentini.

Stick around after the show for a meet-and-greet and toast with the performers!

Sampson McCormick is an experience a down to earth comedic force of nature, and one of the most in demand voices of diversity in comedy. He's appeared on BET, VICELAND, TV One, and a highly lauded comedy special "That B*%@# Better Be Funny". In 2018, he made history as the first comedian to perform at a Smithsonian museum. His comedy offers riveting and fresh takes on race, religion, politics and sexuality—you know, all those things you aren't suppose to talk about in polite company.

Shanti Charan is a Bay Area favorite and a regular at every local club including San Francisco Punch Line and Cobb's. Her bubbly personality and contagious smile lure in audiences and her comedic abilities keep them laughing. Charan was named San Francisco Bay Guardian's "Best Comedian" in their Annual "Best of SF" edition. SF Weekly awarded Shanti "Best Stand Up on the Way Up", stating Charan's writing, "is clever and confident beyond her years".

Kiran Deol is a comedian, filmmaker, and actress. She was recently cast in the lead role of "Ash" on the CBS Studios/PopTV Pilot *Arranged*. Other TV credits include *How to Get Away with Murder*, *The Mindy Project*, *Modern Family*, *New Girl* and more. She's hosted "Soul Food" for Vice.com, and been a regular contributor on Tru TV's *Greatest Ever*. Deol can also be heard on the all-female panel podcast from

Crooked Media "Hysteria." As a standup comedian, Kiran has been featured on Hulu's *Coming to the Stage*, *Comedy Time*, *Axs Live* at Gotham, in *Jezebel*, on BBC Radio, and in *Bitch Magazine* as "One of Six Comedians You Don't Know Yet But Should."

Francesca Fiorentini is a correspondent, comedian and host of The Bitchuation Room Podcast. Formerly a Senior Presenter with AJ+, she was the face of the award-winning weekly comedy show *Newsbroke* and behind viral hits like "White Fragility in the Workplace." She is also a correspondent with *Explorer* on the National Geographic Channel and a regular guest on The Young Turks. As a stand up comic from the Bay Area, Francesca has appeared on "Lovett or Leave It" and at SF Sketchfest, SF Comedy Day, and the Comedy Comedy Festival in Los Angeles.

Matt Lieb is a comedian, writer, and actor from Los Angeles. As a stand up comedian in San Francisco, he was named one of the "2016 Best Comedians in the Bay Area" by SFist and has performed at the Bridgetown Comedy Festival, SF Sketchfest, and the 10,000 Laughs Festival in Minneapolis. Matt's comedy has been featured on the VICELAND, Hulu, SeeSo, and Gabriel Iglesias' "Stand Up Revolution Radio" on SiriusXM. Currently, Matt is a correspondent on Emmy Nominated short form series The Star Wars Show, a writer/performer on Newsbroke on AJ+, and writer for Audible's original series Bedtime Stories for Cynics with Nick Offerman, where he has written for David Spade, Tommy Chong, Nick Thune, and more.

Carmen Morales has a captivating style which incorporates opinionated quick wit and outlandish characters. With a perfect combination of assertiveness, like-ability and vulnerability she has been well received by audiences internationally. She's been seen on HBO Latino, "Punchline" & "Laughs" on FOX, heard on XM/Sirius and read in the New York Times.

For Calendar Editors:

What: Not My F***ing President's Day, Evening of Comedy

When: Sunday, February 17, 2019 at 7pm (doors at 6pm)

Where: Brava Theater Center, 2781 24th Street (at York), San Francisco 94110

Tickets:

\$30 reserved in orchestra

\$25 reserved seat in mezzanine

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