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NORTHAMPTON, MA (April 19, 2014) Erika Kate MacDonald makes her Orlando Fringe debut this year with ***TAP ME ON THE SHOULDER***, a one-woman show about how she unexpectedly started rapping as an adult.

Set in a tiny Brooklyn living room, ***TAP ME ON THE SHOULDER*** is MacDonald's own story told with an intimate, seemingly casual delivery, and includes original raps performed in her signature, stripped-down style. Her stories take the audience from Indonesian dance classrooms to rural New Hampshire kitchen tables, by way of Minneapolis bike punks, provocative Indigo Girls merch, and classic rap album "Illmatic."

"MacDonald has a talent for skillful and creative use of the English language when rhyming about love, life, and confrontation." - *Pioneer Press, Minneapolis*

## PRODUCTION HISTORY

***TAP ME ON THE SHOULDER*** toured last year to the Edmonton, Montreal, and Minnesota Fringe Festivals, and was presented independently in New York City and Northampton, Massachusetts. Earlier in 2014, the show was part of a Home Performance Series, where it was presented in seven different living rooms over the course of a month.

## ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT/ PERFORMER

MacDonald's past work includes ***FLUID***, a cabaret-like solo show about bisexuality, which toured to the San Francisco, Minnesota, and Boulder Fringe Festivals. ***FLUID*** was the Director's Choice at Montreal's Harvest Festival, and was named one of Curve Magazine's "Top Ten Hottest Lesbian Plays." MacDonald earned her B.A. in Theater Studies at Yale University. For more information visit [packofothers.org](http://packofothers.org).

## TICKETS AND INFORMATION

Tickets are available online or at the door for \$11. Discounts are available at the door for students, seniors, Fringe artists and volunteers, and anyone wearing a denim vest. Advance tickets can be purchased at <http://www.orlandofringe.ticketleap.com/tap-me-on-the-shoulder/>

Venue: RED Venue in the Lowndes Shakespeare Theater  
812 E Rollins St, Orlando, FL 32803

Showtimes (60 minutes):

Wed 5/14-10:00pm  
Sat 5/17-9:30pm  
Sun 5/18-1:30pm  
Tue 5/20-7:30pm  
Fri 5/23-11:30pm  
Sat 5/24-6:30pm  
Sun 5/25-1:30pm

For more information about the Orlando Fringe Festival visit [orlandofringe.org](http://orlandofringe.org).