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PRESENTS INCOGNITO by MICHAEL FOSBERG
A TOUR-DE-FORCE 'MEMOIR.'

Woodstock, NY... Woodstock Fringe is thrilled to present **Incognito**, a play written and performed by **Michael Fosberg**, as part of this summer's month-long **Festival of Theatre & Song! Incognito**, a one-man **tour-de-force** recalls **Michael Fosberg's** personal journey ten years ago when he discovered he was African American. Subconsciously he always felt there was something different, but up until that point, he had lived a typical white male middle-class existence. There will be six performances of **Incognito** beginning Thursday, August 24 and running through Sunday, September 3 at the historic Byrdcliffe Theatre in Woodstock, NY.

The discovery began with his mother's divorce from the man he'd grown up calling 'Dad,' a man who adopted him when he was three. The sudden change of circumstances propelled him to find his biological father. Armed with only his name and the knowledge that he lived in the Detroit area some twenty-five years ago, Michael searched the metro-Detroit white pages and was miraculously led to his father on the first call. It is during this first phone conversation that his father cautiously revealed a few things his mother never told him: first, that he had always loved him, and second, that he was African American.

Incognito, is a memoir about finding his father and himself, about race and deception of skin color, about family and history, about the loss of childhood, about secrets, forgiveness, and about the courage of his then young mother to persist in finding a way to raise him against the wishes of her Armenian parents. It is a life-changing self-discovery of family and race, a personal historical odyssey revealing slavery on both sides of his family in two opposite sides of the world.

Michael Fosberg, a Chicago native, has been writing, acting, and directing for more than twenty years. He has performed in Chicago in Steppenwolf Theatre, Remains Theatre, Wisdom Bridge Theatre, the Goodman Theatre, and the Huron Theatre Ensemble of which he was co-founder. Mr. Fosberg, who has worked with directors Gary Sinise, John Malkovich, and Robert Falls, received a Jeff Citation for Best Actor for his performance in Sam Shepard and Joseph Chaikin's *Savage/Love*.

Incognito has played to **standing ovations** at the Kansas City Repertory Theatre and the Bailiwick Arts Center in Chicago. Praised by the *Chicago Tribune* as "**One of the Top Theatrical Events of the Season....Incognito is an engrossing and deeply moving trip...if you listen carefully, it will shake you to your own roots.**"

Performance schedule for **Incognito**:

Date	Day	Time
Aug 24	Thursday	8:00 PM
Aug 25	Friday	5:00 PM
Aug 26	Saturday	8:00 PM
Sep 1	Friday	8:00 PM
Sep 2	Saturday	5:00 PM
Sep 3	Sunday	3:00 PM

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Incognito is one of ten events being presented at the month-long **Woodstock Fringe Festival of Theatre & Song** beginning August 4 and running through September 3. All performances are at the historic **Byrdcliffe Theatre**, Upper Byrdcliffe Road, Woodstock, NY. Tickets for individual performances are \$20 general admission, \$17 for students and seniors. A **FRINGE PASS**, offering admission to all Festival events is available for \$50, an incredible value! The staged readings in our First Looks at the FRINGE series are free-of-charge. For additional information, calendar and tickets to this year's Festival, please visit us online at www.woodstockfringe.org, or call the box office at **845-810-0123**.

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