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## **Legendary Bonkerz Comedy Club to open at the Plaza Hotel & Casino on April 18**

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**LAS VEGAS** – The Plaza Hotel & Casino will be the new home of the historic Bonkerz comedy club and its cadre of comedy acts beginning April 18.

Bonkerz Comedy Productions opened its doors in 1984 and has more than two dozen locations nationwide. As one of the nation's longest-running comedy clubs, Bonkerz has been the site for national TV specials on Showtime, Comedy Central, MTV, Fox and "America's Funniest People." Many of today's hottest comedians have taken their turn on the Bonkerz Comedy Club stage, including Larry The Cable Guy, Carrot Top, SNL co-star Darrell Hammond and Billy Gardell, star of the CBS hit sitcom "Mike and Molly." Bonkerz owner Joe Sanfelippo has a long history of successful comic casting and currently consults with NBC's "America's Got Talent."

"Bonkerz has always had an outstanding reputation for attracting top-tier comedians and entertaining audiences," said Michael Pergolini, general manager of the Plaza Hotel and Casino. "As we continue to expand our entertainment offerings, we are proud to welcome Bonkerz to the comedy club at the Zbar and know its acts will keep our guests laughing out loud."

"I am extremely excited to bring the Bonkerz brand to an iconic location like the Plaza," added Bonkerz owner Joe Sanfelippo. "We have always wanted a presence in downtown Las Vegas, and we can't wait to make the Plaza go Bonkerz!"

At the Plaza, Bonkerz will offer shows Thursday through Saturday at 7 p.m. with comic impressionist Rich Natole and at 9 p.m. with The Guidos of Comedy. And on Sunday and Monday nights at 7 p.m., Bonkerz will host the "Vintage Vegas Comedy and Magic Revue."

Bonkerz Comedy Club will reside inside the Plaza's Zbar, just off of the casino floor. Tickets can be purchased at the Plaza's box office or online at [www.bonkerzcomedy.com](http://www.bonkerzcomedy.com). Discounted tickets will be available for locals, members of the military and seniors, with proper identification required.

### **About the Plaza Hotel & Casino**

The Plaza Hotel & Casino opened in 1971 at 1 Main Street, at the intersection of Main and Fremont Street, and was a fashionable stop on the first train service through Las Vegas. Anchoring the Fremont Street Experience, the Plaza has been an iconic hotel in the heart of downtown Las Vegas for more than 40 years. It sits on 16.5 acres of land and has more than 1,000 rooms and suites, making it one of the largest hotel-casinos in downtown Las Vegas. Renovations have updated and improved the Plaza's ambiance throughout, creating a stylish and comfortable new experience for its guests. It has earned it the distinction of being named "Best Downtown Hotel" by the Las Vegas Review-Journal. For more information and reservations: <http://www.plazahotelcasino.com>.

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