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Morgan Adams Foundation to host benefit at the Comedy Works

June 17 event will help fund neuro-oncology research and treatment at Children's Hospital

WHO: The Morgan Adams Foundation and the Comedy Works

WHAT: Comedy Night featuring nationally touring comics Phil Palisoul, George McClure and Stephanie McHugh.

WHERE: The Comedy Works, 1226 15th Street, just off Denver's historic Larimer Square.

WHEN: June 17; show starts at 8 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m.

WHY: To fund groundbreaking research in pediatric cancer being done at Children's Hospital.

HOW MUCH: Tickets are \$25, \$15 of which is tax-deductible.

DENVER, Colo., May 1 — The Morgan Adams Foundation (MAF) announces their third annual Comedy Night Fundraiser at downtown Denver's legendary Comedy Works on June 17. Proceeds from the show will benefit The Morgan Adams Memorial Neuro-Oncology research fund at The Children's Hospital.

The cause

The Morgan Adams Foundation is the primary source of funding for groundbreaking research into pediatric brain tumors being done at The Children's Hospital in Denver. The Comedy Night benefit will raise money that goes directly to developing successful treatments. Scores of children are alive today because of the work that's been funded by the Foundation.

The show

Headliner **Phil Palisoul** has over two dozen television appearances to his credit, including *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, NBC's *Last Comic Standing*, Comedy Central's *Premium Blend*, and A&E's *Carolines Comedy Hour*, as well as appearances on several sitcoms and even a music video! *Daily Variety* said, "Phil's act is sparkling!" and *The Denver Post* called him "a laugh riot crowd-pleaser."

A Denver native and longtime Comedy Works favorite, your host and feature act **George McClure** has appeared on Comedy Central and HBO. He is also, along with KUSA's Kyle Dyer, the regular emcee for the MAF's art auction. Rounding out this great show will be Stephanie McHugh, who was a finalist on Season Three of Nick at Nite's "Funniest Mom in America" contest.

More about The Morgan Adams Foundation

The Morgan Adams Memorial Neuro-Oncology research fund at The Children's Hospital in Denver was started in November of 1998, after Morgan, age 6, lost her battle with a glioblastoma multiforme brain tumor. Morgan's parents, Joan Slaughter and Steven

Adams, started the artma art auction and The Morgan Adams Concours d'Elegance to raise money for research efforts being conducted in neuro-oncology and other areas of childhood cancer. These events have received an incredible show of support from the community and together have contributed close to \$375,000 to the fund. The Foundation's Comedy Night event follows in this tradition.

The OBJECTIVES of The Morgan Adams Foundation are to:

1. Provide funding for both basic science and clinical research in neuro-oncology at Children's Hospital.
2. Support pilot projects which translate into potential therapies for people with cancer
3. Assist families and children to cope with the diagnosis and treatment of chronic and terminal diseases (e.g., supporting summer camps for terminally ill children).
4. Provide assistance and resources to families of children whose cancers prove fatal (e.g., home-based terminal care, psychologists for grief counseling).
5. Support research conducted outside The Children's Hospital, with the hope of expanding treatment options for youth in the Rocky Mountain region.

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