

#### **WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**

• July 14th: 1pm-3:30pm

• July 21st: 1pm-3pm

• July 28th: 1pm-3pm

Please plan to attend all three sessions.

#### **LOCATION**

Boise Contemporary Theater 854 W Fulton St., Boise, Idaho 83702

#### **PARTICIPATION DETAILS**

- The workshop will be filmed. All participants will be asked to sign a release form.
- If you need special accommodations, please contact Dr. Kuntz at (208) 302-5400.

#### **FUNDING AND COLLABORATION**

- Funded by: Saint Alphonsus
   Foundation, Saint Alphonsus Auxiliary,
   Idaho Commission on the Arts, National
   Endowment for the Arts, Idaho
   Department of Health and Welfare
   Alzheimer's Disease and Related
   Dementias
- Collaborating Organizations: Boise Contemporary Theater, Recycled Minds Comedy

#### SIGN UP

To sign up or for more information, call (208) 302-5400.

We promise this workshop will be fun and meaningful!



# Improv to Improve Dementia Care Workshop

Presented by Saint Alphonsus

Memory Center in partnership

with local and national organizations.

# Free 3-Part Workshop

for Caregivers of Persons Living with Dementia.

Join us to enhance your caregiving skills!

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#### **ABOUT THE WORKSHOP**

Saint Alphonsus Memory Center is excited to offer a free 3-part workshop, "Improv to Improve Dementia Care," designed specifically for caregivers and care partners of individuals living with dementia. This workshop will help you take your caregiving skills to the next level through the innovative use of improv techniques.

# What is Improv?

Improv is a form of theater where much of the performance is created spontaneously, without scripts. Medical Improv, which includes techniques such as comedy, has been shown to improve empathy, teamwork, and creative problem-solving.

# **Supporting Partners**











# **Workshop Goals and Instructors**

#### **WORKSHOP GOALS**

- 1. Presence: Learn to be fully present with your loved one, with intention and without judgment.
- **2. Communication:** Enhance your communication skills with respect, compassion, and creativity.

Additionally, the workshop aims to foster a dementia-friendly community and includes mindfulness techniques to complement the improv training.

#### **INSTRUCTORS**

- Sean Hancock from Recycled Minds will lead the Improv sessions.
- Dr. Abhilash Desai, Geriatric Psychiatrist, and Dr. Kara Kuntz, Medical Director of Saint Alphonsus Memory Center, will provide mindfulness training.

