

Constitution (Updated 1-6-2018)

Preamble

All Sorts of Trouble for the Boy in the Bubble is a self-governed sketch comedy group that was organized for the purposes of experimenting with comedy and making people laugh. Its purpose is to assist interested individuals in the process of growing as both a writer and a performer.

Since its inception, "Bubble" has grown into a 10-15 member cast of students with a variety of majors, interests, and backgrounds. Every member assists in the creation of a show, and thus, we vow to have something unique for one's viewing pleasure every other weekend.

We, All Sorts of Trouble for the Boy in the Bubble, in order to form a more perfect state of comedy on the Bloomington campus of Indiana University, hereby make official in the eyes of the University this troupe of comedians - who by virtue of live performances of completely original, student-written sketch comedy, challenge the social norms of Propriety, confront the outdated and foolhardy notions of Politics, strive for greater Equality by shunning the legitimacy of the *gravitas* held by stereotypes of Racist or Sexist classifications, and praise the Blessings of Chaos, Silliness and Liberty of Speech - by ordaining and establishing this Constitution; under the grounds that all comedy is created anything but equal.

Article I: Membership

- a) Boy in the Bubble allows any interested student to participate in, become a member of, and seek leadership positions in the organization without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.
- b) The number of members will fluctuate by semester, according to the needs of the group. There is no quota, nor limit to how many participants are admitted per semester.
- c) Decisions are made on a democratic basis, without any official system of class or ranking in the group, save for one Group Leader each year.
- d) Members audition and are accepted following an up or down vote by the existing members. No member of All Sorts of Trouble for the Boy in the Bubble is ever to be removed once accepted into the group. Only in extreme circumstances would a member be asked to leave.
- e) Bubble operates only on the money it earns, and does not require or ask any payment or dues of its members.

Article II: University Compliance

This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state and federal laws.

Statement of Non-Discrimination: Boy in the Bubble allows any interested student to participate in, become a member of, and seek leadership positions in the organization without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Article III: Executive Officers

- a) A loose delegation of officers includes members who take on volunteered responsibilities essential to the life of the organization. One or two members will be designated as “Managers,” and are responsible for overseeing the scheduling of shows, tryouts, meetings, and administrating rehearsals. The managers also act as ambassadors to Indiana University and the venues of performance. All other administrative, communication, scheduling, and progressive responsibilities are given to the managers, or delegated by the managers to an officer or member. The manager acts as a facilitator to the democratic processes of the group. Other potential officer titles include (but are not limited to) publicity officer and treasurer.
- b) Officer responsibilities will normally be delegated on the basis of seniority and experience, as well as commitment to the group and availability.
- c) Officers will serve until they no longer wish to have the responsibility.
- d) When an officer leaves his or her position he or she is responsible for delegating the title to another existing member.
- e) Most meetings include the entire cast, and are held on an as-needed basis. The manager(s) will typically call the meetings. Decisions are made democratically.

Article IV: Advisor

The group is self-governed, but maintains one faculty advisor, as required by IU Student Organization Protocol.

Article V: Meetings

- a) Bubble meets a mandatory Monday-Thursday 9:00-10:30 PM on show weeks for rehearsal, and Sunday nights of show weeks for writing sessions. Show Saturdays mandate the group rehearsing in the afternoon from 3:30-6 PM, and meeting back at the performance venue at 8:45 PM before the show at 9:30 PM. Anyone missing more than two rehearsals on a show week will normally not be in the performance, but members are encouraged to prioritize school-work and other obligations before a performance if necessary.
- b) The manager is responsible for setting each meeting’s agenda and facilitating its progress. Different shows will have different time requirements and rehearsal processes.
- c) Bubble will rarely have any “emergencies,” but in such an event the meeting may be called by any member.
- d) No official attendance record is kept.

Article VII: Non-Hazing

Hazing is strictly prohibited. Hazing shall be defined as any conduct which subjects another person, whether physically, mentally, emotionally, or psychologically, to anything that may endanger, abuse, degrade, or intimidate the person as a condition of association with a group or organization, regardless of the person's consent or lack of consent.

Article VIII: Dues and Budgets

- a) Bubble does not have a formal election process.
- b) Auditions are typically held within the first few weeks of each new semester.
- c) There are no dues to be collected.
- d) The budget is maintained by the manager or, if applicable, budget officer.

Article IX: Finances

- a) The manager or budget officer/treasurer is responsible for financial affairs.
- b) All Sorts of Trouble for the Boy in the Bubble will be applying for a Student Organization Account.
- c) The Bubble will never dissolve. However, in the event of the apocalypse, any remaining funds will be deposited into an account for the reformation of the group.

Article IX: Amendments

- a) Members will be notified of any proposed amendments during a group meeting.
- b) A $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote of present members is needed to ratify an amendment.

Article X: Personal Gain Clause

a) This organization, if raising funds, shall ethically raise and distribute profits from organizational functions to either the organization or to members who provide a service that directly benefits the organization. Individual members may not receive compensation directly from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.