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Liz Larsen, Donna McKechnie, Daniel Reichard, Kate Rockwell, Noah Weisberg, et al. Set for NYMF Shows

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Noah Weisberg, Heath Calvert, Jenna Coker-Jones, Liz Larsen, Leif Huckman, and Kate Rockwell will star in the [New York Musical Theatre Festival](#) (September 28-October 18) production of [F#@king Up Everything](#), featuring music and lyrics by David Eric Davis, with a book by Davis and Sam Forman, and direction by Stephen Brackett. The piece is a rock musical comedy set against the backdrop of Brooklyn's indie music scene.

In other NYMF offerings, two-time Tony Award nominee John Carrafa will direct [Academy](#), conceived and developed by Andrew Kato, with book, music and lyrics by John Mercurio. The story takes place at St. Edward's Academy where two senior boys make a bet on whether they can influence an unsuspecting freshman to break a few rules in order to succeed.

Donna McKechnie, a Tony winner for the original production of *A Chorus Line*, will choreograph [Cross that River](#), featuring music, lyrics, and story by Allan Harris and book and direction by Andrew Carl Wilk. The musical depicts the sometimes humorous life and times of a run-away slave who becomes one of America's first Black Cowboys.

Original *Jersey Boys* star Daniel Reichard will lead the cast of [The Happy Embalmer](#), with book, music, and lyrics by Mark Noonan and Nick Oddy. The piece is about a lonely embalmer, a pistol-shootin' Texas madman, a groovy Russian scientist, and one bad-ass Dalai Lama.

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