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Women Writing for (a) Change raises funds in fits of laughter!

Cincinnati, OH—Women Writing for (a) Change presented the fourth annual *Evening of Female Comics* at Go Bananas Comedy Club on July 21st. Fits of laughter filled the room during this hilarious fundraiser! Experienced stand-up comics, host Teri Foltz and headliner Angie Pepper have spent a lot of time on stage behind a microphone. Not so, Sandy Lingo, Robin Lippelman, Ned Sneed and Claudia Kasvin.

These writers-turned-stand-up-comics took a leap—and my, how they landed! The laughter did not stop. These courageous newcomers to stand-up were coached by the evening's host, Teri Foltz. Foltz kept the hilarity moving at a rapid pace and delighted the audience with her own act about the nuances of language. Throughout the whole evening, “laughs-per-minute” were off the scale! If these comediennees were nervous about being in the spotlight, the audience would have never known it.

Zina Camblin stepped in on the spur of the moment to take the place of Holly Lynnea, who was unexpectedly unable to get to Cincinnati for the show. What a delightfully funny performance Zina brought to the stage to continue the laughter!

Angie Pepper, the final act, brought down the house with her emotionally charged humor and even a bit of song! The mood shifted back and forth as the audience responded to occasional comments and personal anecdotes with reverential silence—in awe, or as Pepper joked, in shock! What a tremendous evening of fun!

For nearly 25 years, Women Writing for (a) Change has provided a safe and non-competitive environment for individuals to develop their writing skills, cultivate their creativity and strengthen their voices. Supportive writing circles encourage writing as a process of self-discovery and self-expression, with the focus on process rather than product. Classes provide a unique setting in which honoring each other's words enriches participants' lives. Information on Women Writing for (a) Change can be found at www.womenwriting.org or by calling 272-1171.

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[Photos: [Comic and screen writer, Zina Camblin of Clifton; Host: Comic Teri Foltz of Ft. Thomas, KY; Comic Claudia Kasvin of Montgomery; Comic Sandy Lingo of downtown; Comic Robin Lippelman of Clifton, Comic Angie Pepper of North College Hill and Comic Ned Sneed of Deer Park.]