

Line from New York . . . It's Saturday Night (and you ain't got no ticket)

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NEW YORK — Eddie Murphy did the warm-up for the studio audience. "Last year the show was so bad we couldn't even give tickets away. . . . Get away from me with those tickets, sucker!"

"The 'Saturday Night Live' season premier, two weeks ago, had the lobby packed with standbys and none of them got in because the place was over-run with celebrities. Mark Battista, NBC page, said, 'Valerie Ferrine sauntered in with her entourage; it was a zoo.'"

"The lobby scene was a calmer one this week. All the standbys got in for the dress rehearsal and Battista even had some difficulty filling the 312 seats of studio 8H.

"We were pulling bag ladies in off the street," he chided.

So how does anyone get to see the show? There are over four million stories in the Naked City, and every one of them is about a different way to get tickets.

There is always a first in line. Always. Andrew Sole took the train down from Long Island and arrived at 30 Rockefeller Plaza at 8:30 p.m., three hours before air time. It was his seventh show — two air, five dress rehearsals — not counting the two times he had been thrown out for crashing the show.

"I'm a fanatic," the 17-year-old Sole said. His ticket tactics are simple; he writes away for them. His crash style is equally simple. "My dad works on the eighth floor, he's a camera blocker and he's always there. I just go to his apartment and knock on his door. They don't always fall for it, he said.

Then there's the Know Somebody, Anybody, School of Tickets.

Andy drove all the way from Indiana. He was with Cathy from California and Todd from Texas. Sharon walked "all the way from 57th street" (seven blocks).

"They all went to high school together in California. Sharon's uncle got her some tickets. Nancy's uncle got her some tickets. Mark Battista's uncle works for NBC."

"Please, my credibility is going to hell."

"Why would anyone lie about being Ed McMahon's niece?"

When Nancy's cousin from Michigan came in Friday she called her friend who used to work at NBC. He called his friend some difficulty filling the 312 seats of studio 8H.

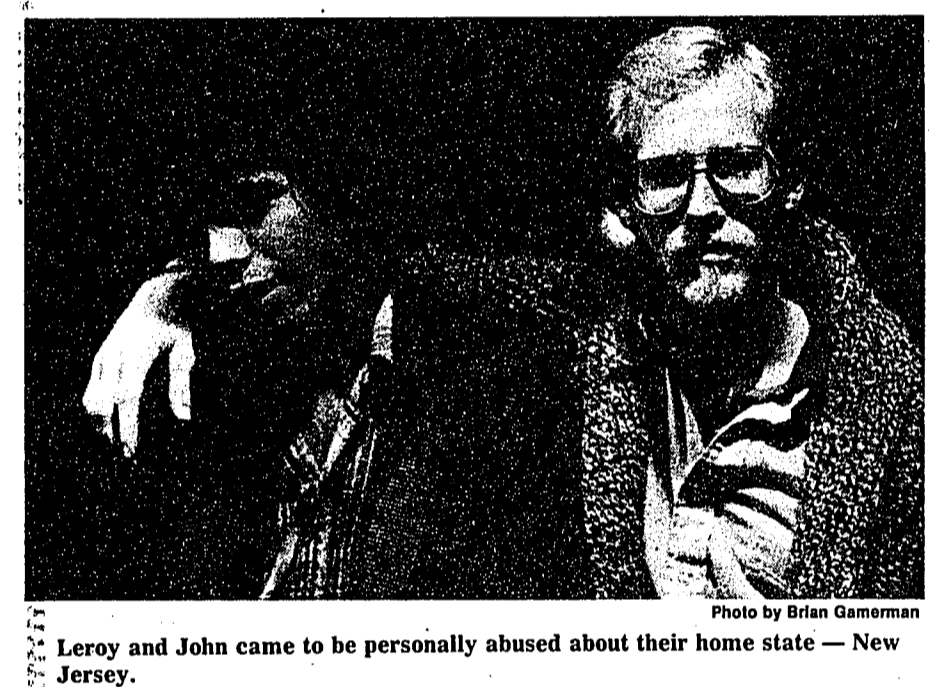
"It was a long shot, but it worked," Nancy said.



Andrew Sole (above) holds his position as first in line, while page Mark Battista (right) displays the classic "I'm sorry, all the seats are reserved" posture. Nancy Caronia (below) takes surrogate friend Little Missy to his first "Saturday Night."



Leroy and John came to be personally abused about their home state — New Jersey.



Chris Wilson's friend writes for SNL. His friend said the tickets were "very much in demand" but would get him a pair. Wilson came up from Mississippi with his wife on the Red Eye, left at three in the morning. That's why she was asleep back in the hotel, which leads us to the Know a Friend With an Extra Ticket school. Becky was an old friend from Miss and, well, her husband was also tired that night. "So I ditched my wife and picked up what's-her-name here," Chris said.

Nancy Caronia from Long Island goes to a similar school of ticketery. She has this friend, see, and he mails ticket requests in his friends' names, see, and so far five of his 10 letters have hit. All his friends have gone but he hasn't because

Lowest on the lobby list are the Wishful Thinkers. Pages spend most of their time dealing with these folks who aimlessly wander into the building and ask to see the show. It's Saturday night and we were in the neighborhood anyway.

Why had Ed Kalanka, a classic WT, come from Clifton, New Jersey, with no tickets?

"On a lark," he replied.

"What will you do if you don't get in?"

"A lot of drugs."

Battista said some WTs threatened to slash wrists, etc. If they could not get in. It seldom helps, all of them are given the same speech by one of the pages, always delivered in a sympathetic tone. "I'm sorry, all of the tickets are reserved."

Which leaves us with one of the easiest ways to get into the show — work there. Robert Kaplan is a page. "I interviewed for the job and I got it," he said. Small wonder Battista describes his three weeks as a page as "never ending speed and excitement."

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(8) 22 NEWS (CONTINUES FROM 21)
(9) MATTIE
(10) AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
(11) NBC NEWS
(12) ABC NEWS
(13) MATH GAME
(14) 22 CBS NEWS
(15) EARLY MILLER
(16) DAILY NUMBER
(17) MACHINER REPORT
(18) M.A.S.I.
(19) THREE FOR THE NUMBER
(20) YOU ASKED FOR IT: Rich Little. Hosts: Dick Cavett, Dick Cavett, Dick Cavett. (30 min.)
(21) MURPHY SHOW: Diane Ross. Host: Dick Cavett. (30 min.)
(22) LAYNE AND SHIRLEY AND COMPANY
(23) TIC TAC DOUGH
(24) FAMILY FEUD
(25) PMA GAZETTE
(26) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT SHOW
(27) ALL IN THE FAMILY
(28) YOU ASKED FOR IT
(29) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT
(30) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT Hosts: Tom Hanks, Marjorie Wallace, Ron Howard. Includes a feature on Jackie Smith in the portraiture Jackie Bowler Kennedy in the television movie.
(31) LAYNE AND SHIRLEY AND COMPANY
(32) JOKER'S WILD
(33) MILLER REPORT
(34) PMA GAZETTE
(35) MICHELLE ON THE PRAIRIE: Mrs. O'Brien's newly adopted conviving daughter, Nancy, goes to the beach for a tropical festival, she does so in a way that causes Mr. O'Brien and Charles to have a personal manner and behavior. (Conclusion: 60 min.)
(36) THE INCREDIBLE: The extraordinary of a school driver who won nearly \$2 million in lottery on the exploding, stunning tempo to "By" a rocket propelled Lincoln Continental car on the access to Lawrence River, and a great deal of world's Champion. (60 min.)
(37) LEONARD BERTIN CONDUCTS
(38) TONIGHT's presentation, Bertin's Symphony No. 6 in F Major, Opus 68, "Pastoral."
(39) PRIVATE BENJAMIN in a surprise frank tale on Capt. Benjamin's life and death. (30 min.)
(40) JOY and promotes her to squad leader on a stage and her new production, "The Last Story" 1978 LeVar Burton. Based on the autobiography "Breakout" by LeVar. (30 min.)
(41) TV QUARTERBACKS
(42) THE TWO OF US: Desperate a strong warning to network, hostess, there's a shock when she insists on meeting the wife of the most recent fan letter she's ever received.
(43) SHAKESPEARE FALLS: On the 400th anniversary of the Shakespeare Playhouse, Bob Hoak and Penelope Wilson gaze Deadwood in the Jonathan Miller production, "The Taming of the Shrew" (40 min.)
(44) MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: Family Reunion 1981 Stars: Boie Davis, David Hyde Pierce, John Shea. Seeing that time by their last reunion, Elizabeth invites her large family to the home of the movie for a day celebration, hoping to persuade those relatives who voted to end the project to preserve the family link. (Conclusion: 2 hrs.)
(45) MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL: ABC Sports will provide coverage of the game between the Miami Dolphins at the Buffalo Bills.
(46) MOVIE (D-RAMA) "Ghost and Mrs. Miller" 1947 Rex Harrison, Gene Tierney. A woman falls in love with the "ghost" of an old man.
(47) MOVIE (D-RAMA) "A.S.H. Major Winchester becomes increasingly obsessive and in the end, a night attack on the camp. (Disposal: 1 hr.)
(48) ANNUAL COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION AWARDS: Mac Davis and Barbara Mandrell. (30 min.)
(49) THE ANNALS OF IMBROGLIO: Nashville, Tennessee: performer and presenter include Alabama, Ronnie Milsap, Lucy Danton, Marie McGee, George Jones, and the Oak Ridge Boys. (30 min.)
(50) HAZEL
(51) HAZEL
(52) BEST OF CROUCHO
(53) NEWS
(54) MORNING STRETCH
(55) MORNING STRETCH Hosts: Harry S. Truman Part.

Across

1 One who preys on emergencies
2 South part
3 Unusual respect
4 Neighbors of radi
5 Path process
6 Port on Shatt-el-Arab
7 Bergen County, N.J., borough
8 Initiates after a proof
9 Summary
10 Acquires feathers for flying
11 French stars
12 Part — (strip)
13 Acquires feathers for flying
14 Soaks flax
15 Where carboys work
16 Parrot whirlwinds
17 Part of T.G.F., et al.

Down

1 Duke of Milan in "The Tempest"
2 Chever comeback
3 Guiltionizes
4 Chomsky —
5 Dwellers in 17-across
6 Heads of France
7 Oklahoma city
8 Business school subject, for short
9 Gambling resort (2 wds.)
10 Disrupts
11 Miss Thomas
12 Vacuum pack
13 African woman
14 Where GF's hang out
15 Agency for disabled persons (abbr.)

Crossword

by Edward Julius
(answers in Tomorrow's Classifieds)

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