

In conjunction with

**Child Life Humour Program at Children's Hospital,  
HSC Winnipeg and the Therapeutic Clown Program at  
St. Boniface Hospital  
is proud to present the**



**November 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**9:00 AM – 5:30 PM**

**The Humphrey Inn and Suites, Winnipeg, MB  
2 Day Workshop with Internationally Renowned  
Michael Christensen**

**The Big Apple Circus Clown Care Unit (New York City)**

**Michael Christensen** graduated from the University of Washington's Professional Actor Training Program in 1970. After a few seasons of standard repertory theatre, Michael worked for the San Francisco Mime Troupe where he learned to juggle. In 1975 Michael and a friend, Paul Binder, set out on a great adventure juggling their way across Europe ending up in the Nouveau Cirque de Paris in Paris as comedy jugglers. Mr. Christensen and Mr. Binder founded the Big Apple Circus in 1977. In 1986, Michael founded the Big Apple Circus Clown Care Program, Americas' first professional hospital clowning program. He has lectured and conducted workshops extensively in America and abroad. His work has inspired programs around the world and he has been at the forefront of fostering the new profession of Therapeutic Hospital Clowning since it's inception.

We are very pleased to have Michael facilitate the two day workshop; **You First, Red Nose Second**. He will also be the keynote speaker at our **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Therapeutic Clowning (Winnipeg) and Clown Doctoring (New York City)** on the evening of Friday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>.