

**CLOWN THERAPY (Comedy)**  
**By Nina Mansfield**

*Cast: 2 females, 1 male*

*Frank, a clown, and his wife Maggie seek marriage counseling after Maggie discovers that Frank is not really a clown.*

*Available in [2012 The Best 10-Minute Plays \(Smith & Kraus\)](#).*

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*Photo: Summer Shorties...SummER NOT 10-Minute Play Festival, Turtle Shell Production, NYC July-Aug 2011. Dir: John W. Cooper. Featuring: Ed Newman, Shannon Lyne Black & Donna Klimek*

**CHARACTERS:**

**FRANK:** 30s-40s. Frank is a clown. He is dressed in full clown attire including a blue wig, a red nose, big shoes that honk, a water squirting flower in his lapel, and a crazy tie that can grow very long when pulled.

**MAGGIE:** 20s-40s. Frank's wife. She is not a clown.

**THERAPIST:** A woman. 30s-50s. A licensed marriage counselor.

**SETTING:**

Present day. A therapist's office.

**LOGLINE:**

A clown and his wife seek marriage counseling. Their issues are nothing to clown around about.

## **PARTIAL EARLY PRODUCTION HISTORY:**

- Snowdance Comedy Festival, Racine WI, January-February 2011 (dir. Diane Carlson)
- Three Roses Players, Los Angeles, CA, April-May 2011 (dir. Maggie Grant)
- The Writer Speaks, North Canton Playhouse, North Canton, OH, May 2011 (dir. Massey Martin.)
- Summer Shorties...SummER Not 10-Minute Play Festival, Turtle Shell Productions, New York, NY, July-August 2011 (dir. John W. Cooper.)
- Artists' Exchange's 6th Annual Black Box Theatre One Act Play Festival, Cranston, RI, August 2011 (dir. Rich Morra.)
- BoxFest Detroit, Detroit, MI, August 2011 (dir. Barbie Amann Weisserman.)
- Thinking Outside the Box: Original 10 Minute Play Fest, Falcon Repertory in association with the Fairfield Museum and History Center, Fairfield, CT; March 2012. (dir. Nancy Ponturo.)
- Ticket2Eternity Productions, "Disjointed Love Shorts", Alchemical Theatre Laboratory, New York, NY; March 2013. (dir. Lindsay B. Davis.)

***Clown Therapy* has gone on to have multiple productions.**