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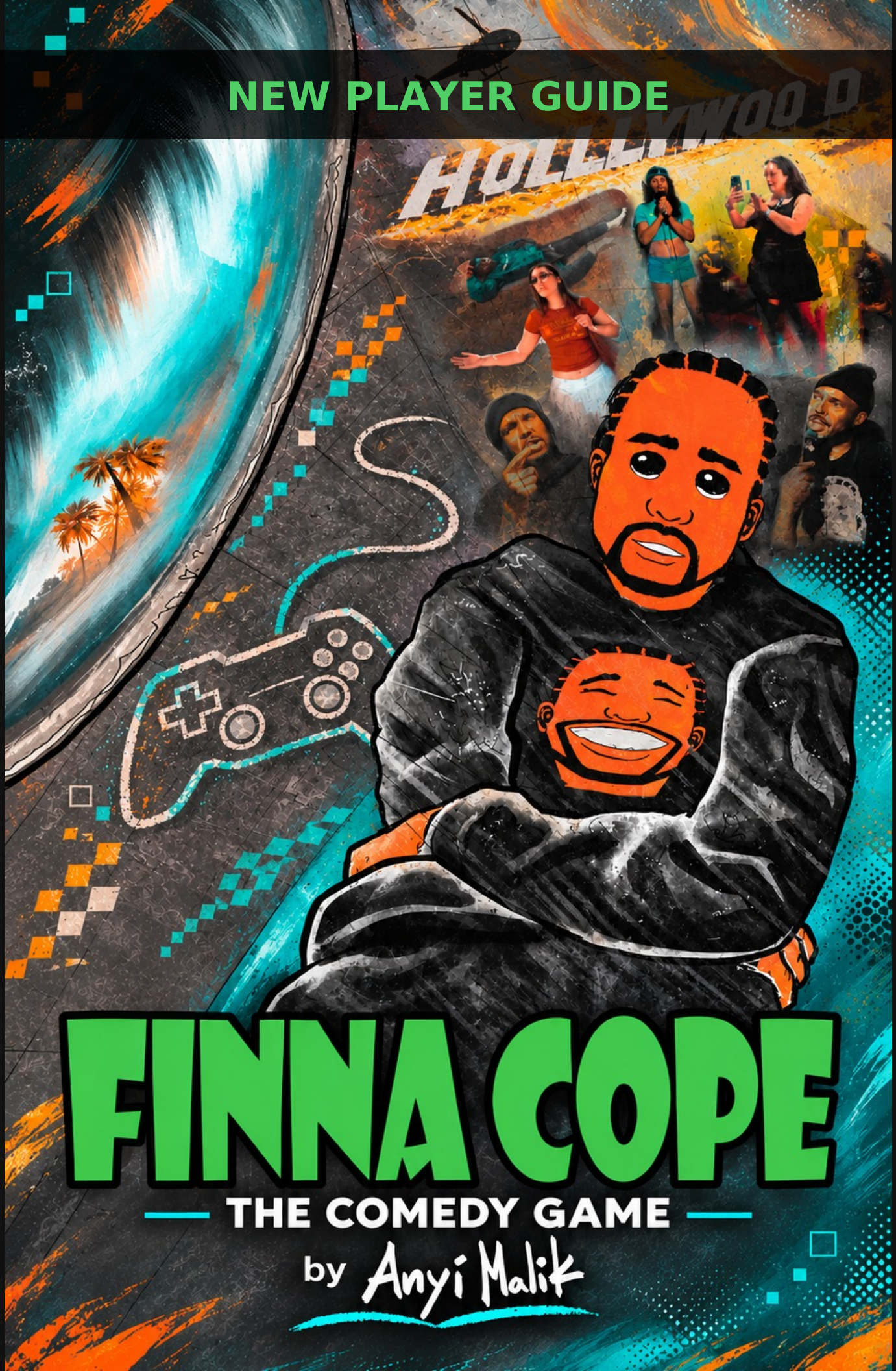

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THE COMEDY GAME

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Welcome

You play Yinzel Bossington, a comedian with a dream, a day job and zero fans. Your goal is to climb from open mics to headlining comedy clubs across five cities.

You start on Jan 1 in your apartment in Angel City with a little cash. Pay the bills with day jobs, get on stage every chance you get, and let the fans find you. This guide gets you through your first few days; the rest is yours to discover.

Your first 10 minutes

Action	Phone	Computer
Move	Left thumb	WASD or arrow keys
Run	RUN button	Shift
Look around	Drag on the right side	Drag the mouse
Jump	JUMP button	Space
Pause, save and load	Pause button	Esc or P

The top left shows where you are, the date and time, your cash and your fans. Tap the round mini map to enlarge it, and pinch to zoom. Walk onto a glowing ring to use anything: doors, counters, mics, beds, closets, TVs. Gold beams mark spots where tasks are waiting.

Time moves about 3 game minutes per real second, and places keep real hours. Sleep in a bed to skip ahead.

1. Step outside your apartment and look at the mini map to get your bearings.
2. Walk to the Computer Cafe and open the Jobs menu. Take a Dog Walking or Handy Man job for quick cash.
3. Come back to the Computer Cafe between 2200 and 2400 and walk onto the mic ring for your first open mic.
4. Tap fast during your set to keep the crowd meter up.
5. Save from the Pause menu before you quit. The game also autosaves every few minutes.

The comedy ladder

Every rank unlocks after 10 good sets at the rank below it.

Rank	How you get there	Gig pay	Set length
Citizen	Where you start	—	—
Open Micer	Do your first open mic	Free	3 min
Showcase Comic	10 good open mics	$10	7 min
Host	10 good showcases	$50	Two 5-min spots
Feature	10 good hosting gigs	$100	20 min
Headliner	10 good feature sets	$500	60 min

On stage, tap fast to keep the crowd meter up. Above 75% is an incredible set, above 50% is good, and anything lower is rough.

Open mics run at every Computer Cafe nightly 2200–2400, plus dive bars, Grind Forever and the clubs' weekday mic nights. Once you're a Showcase Comic, book club gigs from the Comedy section of the Jobs menu, up to 4 at a time. Be inside the club by your call time or you miss it.

Incredible sets win fans and can open a Network Zone where you performed. Stay in it and people come up to you: fans, industry folks and business contacts. Fans unlock most of the game, so watch that number grow.

Making money

Open the Jobs menu at any Computer Cafe (open 24/7). Later you can also open it on a home computer, a laptop or a Smart Device. You work one job at a time.

Job	Pay	Unlock
Dog Walking	$20	Always open
Handy Man	$100	Always open
Security	$25/hr to start	1 Security Training ($50 at City Hall)
Construction	$100/hr to start	5 Construction Trainings ($100 each at the construction site)

Trainings run Mon–Fri 0900–1700 and take 3 hours each. Every 10 Security or Construction shifts, that job's pay goes up 20%. Hang your bag in a closet before those shifts.

Comedy pays too once you climb: club gigs, paid sets from business contacts, and tips from fans you invite to your shows.

Getting around

Three cities share a free Metro: Angel City, Blunt City and Hyphy Town. Catch it at each city's Central Plaza station. It also runs to Mercury Station Direct, the hub for buses, flights and the ferry.

City	What it's like
Angel City	Your home base, Misty's MadHouse and AngelWood Buddy
Blunt City	Blunt City Buddy and BC Rimshots
Hyphy Town	Laugh Gas City and a lively Town Hall
San Sandal	A beach town with a university
TeaSac	A far-off city in the evergreens

Slide is the rideshare app in the Jobs menu: $10–75 a ride to anywhere in the connected cities. San Sandal and TeaSac take more to reach, and how you first get to each one is for you to find out. At 150 fans, the travel limits lift.

Places worth knowing

Place	Where	Why go
Computer Cafe	Every city, 24/7	Jobs menu and nightly open mics
Sauder House	Every city, 24/7	Bags, devices, recording gear, tees, the Face Mask
Colonelface	Every city	Food, plus the White Colonelface Tee ($25)
Comedy clubs	Every city except No Mon, 1800–0200	Showcases, then host, feature and headliner gigs
Strip malls	Every city	Two stories: a dive bar, a Chicken Liquor, and a theatre or comedy club upstairs
Chicken Liquor	Every strip mall, 0600–0200	Black and White Colonelface Tees ($25) and a Black Beanie ($15)
Little Room Cinema	Every city, 1100–0200	Four screening rooms; tickets are $14
Carrie's	San Sandal beach strip, 24/7	Dive bar and diner, a TV, and Fido the cat
The Tree of Blue Dreams	Angel City Hall steps	Ask it what you dream; "Living the dream" changes your fit

At the cinema, walk to a room's door from 20 minutes before showtime, buy a ticket, then sit in the aisle seat to watch. Cozy Dragon Fire is playing now, and The Homie Robbins opens Friday, Jan 23.

Your stuff

- **Pocket:** 10 slots, always on you. A Smart Device takes 2.
- **Bag:** buy one at Sauder House (Bag $75 for 50 spaces, Duffle $100 for 100). You wear one at a time.
- **Closets:** unlimited storage at home. Walk onto a closet ring to hang bags and move items.
- **Smart Device ($1,500):** Jobs, Contacts and Slide from anywhere. Until you have one, use a Computer Cafe.
- **Clothes:** Colonelface tees and the beanie show on your character and take no space. Wear, take off and swap them from your Bag or Pocket.
- **Face Mask ($100 at 1,000 fans):** keeps you unrecognized. Take it off from your Bag or Pocket to wear again later; hitting a stage knocks it off for good.
- **Custom Tees ($100 at 200 fans):** 75 shirts with your name on them, for you and your fans.

Tips and quick answers

- **Where do I perform first?** The Computer Cafe open mic, nightly 2200–2400.
- **How do I book club gigs?** Reach Showcase Comic (10 good open mics), then use the Comedy section of the Jobs menu.
- **Why can’t I get in somewhere?** Check the hours on the sign; most places keep real schedules.
- **I’m broke.** Take Handy Man jobs ($100) and get a Security Training for steady shifts.
- **How do I save?** Pause, then Save / Load. You get 5 slots plus autosave, and you can copy a save code to keep somewhere safe.
- **Where’s everything?** Tap the mini map to enlarge it, pinch to zoom, and tap the reset button to snap back.
- **Talk to everyone.** Family, contacts and the people in Network Zones open doors you won’t find on any map.

Want the full details? The Player Manual covers every job, club, item and route.

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