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TEMPTATION ISLAND Negin Farsad, center, breaks some ancient taboos in *Bootleg Islam*, part of this year's New York International Fringe Festival.

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New York International Fringe Festival

Various theaters and times; for festival schedule, see www.fringenyc.org (212-279-4488). \$15 per show, \$65 for "Fiver Pass" (five shows), \$110 for "Flex Pass" (ten shows), \$500 for "Lunatic Pass" (unlimited). Sun-Sat 3pm-midnight. Through Aug 29. The eighth annual edition of the ever-expanding Fringe includes nearly 200 shows in over 20 different venues around town. Some, like 1999's *Urinetown* or 2002's *Matt and Ben*, may go on to glory; others will suck. Peruse the lineup at www.fringenyc.org (or pick up a festival booklet at your local bookstore) and see what catches your fancy; then close your eyes, hope for the best and