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**THRESHOLD THEATER PRESENTS****OUR FIRST 2023 OFFERING IN THE NEW PLAY READING SERIES****“ZERO STATE” by Allison Moon****PERFORMING AT THE BLACK HART OF SAINT PAUL****1415 University Ave W, St. Paul, MN 55104****Monday, March 13, 2023 at 7pm (doors open at 6:30pm)**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN (February 13, 2023)—Threshold Theater announces full casting and production details for the first offering for 2023 in our new play reading series in partnership with The Black Hart of Saint Paul. The play, “Zero State,” written by Allison Moon, directed by Kim Hines, will take place on Monday, March 13, 2022 at 7pm.

ABOUT THE PLAY:

After her husband Lee dies suddenly, neuroscientist Renee uses her consciousness-transferal technology, with the assistance of her lab tech Greg, to inhabit Lee’s body and secure the future of her company. Renee believes Lee’s schedule is full of board meetings and investor schmoozing. Instead, she meets a sex worker named Alma he’s been wooing, has a disconcerting interaction with Lee’s best friend Helen, and is struck by her own new and confusing feelings of desire. Not to mention the hallucinations... or are they memories? When the hallucinations begin, Renee needs to believe they’re minor flaws in her otherwise revolutionary technology. But when she starts “remembering” things she never witnessed and conversing with Lee’s ghost, she suspects something far more frightening is at play.

ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT:

Allison Moon is the author of five books including the instant classic sex-ed guide “Girl Sex 101.” Inspired by her sex education work, Moon writes screenplays, stage plays, and teleplays that explore the complexities of identity, sexuality and desire, particularly when interfacing with technology. Her newest play “Zero State” was an O’Neill Semifinalist (2022). She has a degree in Neuroscience and Theatre from Oberlin College and is an MFA candidate in Creative Writing for the Performing Arts at UC Riverside ('24).



Minneapolis, MN

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR:

Kim Hines started her career in theater as a child actor. Becoming an Equity Actor after college, she performed at many theaters in the Twin Cities (MN) area including the Mixed Blood Theater, Illusion Theater, Penumbra Theater, and Guthrie Theater. As a playwright, her work has been performed nationally, including five productions and two national tours at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. She has directed many productions at various theaters as well as with colleges and universities. Presently, Kim works virtually as a coach to artists of all art forms, from novice to professional, including students and educators. Kim has a BA in Speech & Theater and Visual Art from Macalester College, St. Paul, MN.

ABOUT THE PRODUCTION

ZERO STATE

By: Allison Moon

Directed by: Kim Hines

Cast: Lana Aylesworth (Alma), Denzel Belin (Lee), Melinda Kordich (Helen), Valencia Proctor (Kim), David Schlosser (Greg), Renee Werbowski (Renee)

TICKET INFORMATION

ZERO STATE

Monday, March 13, 2023, at 7pm (doors open at 6:30pm)

at The Black Hart of Saint Paul (1415 University Avenue West, St. Paul, MN 55104)

Tickets: \$10 at the door.

Masks encouraged.

ABOUT THRESHOLD THEATER

Founded in 2019, we are committed to creating a place for the voices of the LGBTQ community to tell their story, no matter their age, race, religion, gender, ability or sexuality. Our history did not start in 1969. We have been around since the beginning of time, and we will be here until time's end. We are every religion, every race, from every nation, and we live in every state. Our stories are the stories of humanity.

To learn more about Threshold and its mission, please check out

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