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**THRESHOLD THEATER PRESENTS**

**“TORRID + RECKLESS” THE SECOND PLAY IN OUR 2022 NEW PLAY READING SERIES**

**MINNEAPOLIS, MN - MAY 17, 2022—Threshold Theater announces full casting and production details for “*Torrid+Reckless*” by André M. Zucker and Directed by Miriam Monasch**

“Torrid + Reckless” is about the trial of lovers and business partners Margarette C. Anderson and Jane Heap who published a literary magazine in the early twentieth century. They were put on trial by the US Post Office for obscenity due to their publication of James Joyce’s *Ulysses*. Taking place in New York in 1918 and Paris in 1923 this play deals with some of the earliest pioneers of LGBTQ rights and freedom of speech.

Threshold Theater has partnered with the Black Hart, world famous queer soccer bar in the Midway neighborhood of Saint Paul to present our live stage readings. Located a thousand feet from the new Allianz Field, the Black Hart is the new spiritual home for soccer in the Twin Cities, a place to catch matches from around the world of soccer. The Black Hart continues the long legacy of Town House Bar as a home for the LGBTQ+ community.

André M. Zucker is a Latinx writer and filmmaker originally from The Bronx, NY. His short story “The Words of the Prophets” was nominated for the 2012 Pushcart Prize. He is also the writer/director of the award-winning short film “Casulaidad Rodriguez.” His screenplay “Greenpoint” is currently in development with director Erika Sanz. André has a BA in American Literature from SUNY Purchase and an MS in Special Education from Fordham University. André M. Zucker is a special education teacher in a New York City public high school. He lives in Brooklyn.



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Miriam Monasch has worked as an actor and director, primarily in the Twin Cities, for 40+ years. Directing credits include several shows for Theatre Unbound, Theatre in the Round, and Six Points Theatre (formerly MN Jewish Theatre) including *Our Class*, for which she received an Ivey Award in 2011. Favorite acting credits include Amanda Wingfield in *The Glass Menagerie*, Ma in *Torch Song Trilogy*, Linda Loman in *Death of a Salesman*, and Mama in *'Night, Mother*.

### **ABOUT THE PRODUCTION**

Torrid + Reckless

Playwright – André M. Zucker

Director – Miriam Monasch

The cast list is as follows:

Jane - MJ Leffler

Margaret - Rachel Postle

Quinn, etc - Eric Lee

Judge, etc - Linda Sue Anderson

Sumner, etc- David Schlosser

Stage Directions / Leading talk back - Matthew Everett

### **TICKET INFORMATION**

*"Torrid + Reckless" will be performed on June 18, 2022.*

*Doors open 6:30pm; show starts 7:00pm. Tickets \$10 at the door. Mask & proof of vaccination required.*

*The Black Hart of Saint Paul is located at 1415 University Ave W, St Paul, MN 55104*

### **ABOUT THRESHOLD THEATER**

**Threshold Theater's mission to "produce fresh LGBTQ works" means we tell the stories of who we are.**

**Founded in 2019 we are committed to creating a place for the voices of the LGBTQ community to tell their story, no matter, age, race, religion or sex. 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.**

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