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Local Theater Company Presents World Premiere of UNDONE: The Lady M Project

Third production in company's "season of women" puts Shakespeare's enigmatic queen on trial in contemporary reimagining at The Savoy, Denver, March 9–26

Boulder, CO—Local Theater Company (Local) announces the production details for the third world premiere of its 12th Season: *UNDONE: The Lady M Project.* Set in a courtroom suspended in limbo, the play is a modern interpretation of events depicted in Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, specifically Lady Macbeth's (Lady M) role in the murder of a seated king. Lady M stands trial, with the three witches serving as judges and the audience as jury. Characters from the original text are subpoenaed in this work that examines society's perception of powerful women and those standing trial.

Undone was conceived by award-winning, Colorado-based theater makers Mare Trevathan and Anne Penner, who penned the project with Hadley Kamminga-Peck, noted dramaturg who completed her PhD in theater history and criticism at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Trevathan, skilled director of ensemble-oriented and movement-based theatrical works, helms the project that features a number of recognizable and celebrated Colorado-based performers including Penner in the titular role. The design team includes soundscape director Janet Feder, who participated in the Local Lab developmental workshop in spring, 2022.

Undone represents Local Theater Company's foundational mission of supporting new theatrical works from page to stage. Undone was commissioned by Local and presented as the company's first online offering in December 2020 as part of the Local Lab new play development program. Local's Founding Artistic Director Pesha Rudnick said, "The show evolved early in the pandemic from a satisfying online experience, to a poignant and funny workshop, and now into full production. Anne and Mare drew on their imaginations to conjure a process and product they want more of in theater-making: inclusive participation. They continue to widen their circle of collaborators... to reconsider Lady Macbeth's role in the original play." Director and coplaywright Trevathan said, "It's been a surprisingly fruitful creative process, and we're so eager now to collaborate with Local Theater Company in coming back to our 'home turf': in a room with performers and audience all together laughing, feeling, sharing."

The three-week run will include three community engagement events presented as part of Local's Come Together series, curated by co-Artistic Director Betty Hart. These will include a

post-show conversation, a community meal and a dramaturgically oriented pre-show conversation presented in partnership with the Colorado Shakespeare Festival, "Inside the Mind of Lady M: An Introduction to Shakespeare's Lady Macbeth." All Come Together events are offered free of charge.

DETAILS

UNDONE: The Lady M Project

Conceived by Anne Penner and Mare Trevathan Written by Hadley Kamminga-Peck, Anne Penner, and Mare Trevathan Directed by Mare Trevathan

Previews: Mar 9, 10, 2023

Opening Night: Sat, Mar 11, 2023 Run: Wed–Sun, Mar 15–26, 2023

All performances at 7:30 pm MT except for Sundays, which are at 2 pm MT

Venue: The Savoy (2700 Arapahoe St, Denver)

Tickets: \$12–45

Ticket link: https://ci.ovationtix.com/36653/production/1148931

Local website: localtheaterco.org/undone

TEAM

creators

Hadley Kamminga-Peck - Playwright/Dramaturg Anne Penner - Playwright/Lady M Mare Trevathan - Playwright/Director

performers

Orion Carrington - Macbeth Chelsea Frye - Senga Abner Genece - Eshu Thadd Krueger - Corvus Emilie O'Hara - Greer Matthew Schneck - Duncan Iliana Lucero Barron - Swing

production

Janet Feder - Soundscape Director Matt Grevan - Production Manager Mandy Kay Heath - Lighting Designer Sage Hughes - Stage Manager Krista Montoya - Scenic & Props Designer Krystyna Pinel - Assistant Stage Manager Holly-K. Hurd - Costume Designer

ABOUT LOCAL THEATER COMPANY

<u>Local Theater Company</u> (Local) is a nonprofit professional theater company that discovers, develops, and produces new American plays. Local engages audiences through innovative performances that spark camaraderie, learning, and contemplation and provides a resourceful environment for theater artists to take creative risks and develop their work. Local believes theater is a local experience. When you enter an

audience, a new community is created where, for that brief span of time, everyone is a local. Learn more at localtheaterco.org.

Local Theater Company Team

Pesha Rudnick - Founding Artistic Director
Misha S. Zimmerman - Executive Producer
Nick Chase - Co-Artistic Director, Production & Education
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