



ROGUE THEATER FESTIVAL

June 30-July 3, 2022



**ROGUE IS PROUD TO MAKE A WAVE
LIVE AND DIGITALLY ONCE AGAIN,
THIS YEAR.**

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING NEW
VOICES AND GORGEOUS ARTISTS.**

**THE 4TH
ANNUAL**

**ROGUE
THEATER
FESTIVAL**

I

ALWAYS KNEW

YOU

written and directed by:
Megan Dean

**WERE
AROUND**



The Player's Theatre
New York, NY
July 1st 9:30 pm

I always knew you were around

Two employees hide in a break room at a retail department store on the busiest day of the year, Black Friday. As sparks fly between them, something good seems just around the corner. But what is truly lurking on the other side of the wall for Rex and Zena? Could it be hope? Their boss? Corona? Or could it be secrets of their past that threaten their present? "I always knew You were around" is a story of how the desperation for connection comes with an in-exchangeable price tag...



**Written By:
Megan Dean**

Megan Dean (she/her) is an actor, director, and playwright who has worked with The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival and The Springville Center for the Arts. "I always knew You were around" was performed in HACC's New Work's Festival and over zoom with The Live Virtual Playreadings. Megan is excited to be sharing this story with a live audience for the first time! This play is inspired by the idea of "staying safe" in our ever-changing, isolated world.



Lexi Rastelli
Zena



Iykechi McCoy
Rex



***Benny James
Jordan***



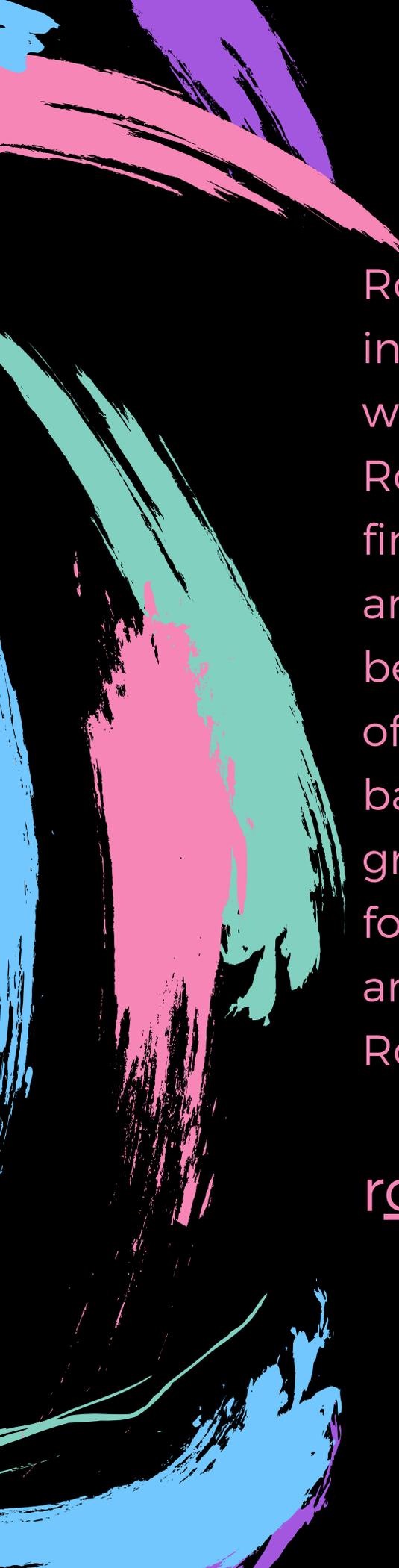
***Halie Kendra
Smith
Sound Design***

FOUNDER & ARTISTIC DIRECTOR



Allison Hohman

Allison is the creator of Rogue Theater Festival and a lover, not a fighter. She primarily works in stage management and lighting design in New York City, but finds herself producing, directing, acting, and whatever other artistic pursuits she can manage. She is an avid traveler and always looking for a good book to read. Check her out at allisonleahhohman.com



CREATOR NOTE

Rogue Theater Festival is proud to be in their fourth year of bringing new works to the stage. With every year of Rogue, we hope to see more artists find their voice through opportunity and support. Rogue is committed to being a stepping stone on the journey of artistic discovery for people of all backgrounds and experiences. We are grateful to have presented these forty-four new works in a socially distant and safe way. Learn more about Rogue at:

roguetheaterfestival.com

SPECIAL THANKS:

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Joe Battista*