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By SJ Roth
Directed by Michelle Gritzer

CAST

Josh Hamilton
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SETTING

A high-end chocolate shop, a park

The Present

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The Deadliest Disease

By Genia Michaela *
Directed by Shaina Rosenthal *

CAST

Sammy	MEG CASHEL
Delores	JAYNE TAINI *+
Ryan	RUSSELL EDGE +
Carina	DÉLÉ OGUNDIRAN +
Flim Flam Ryan	MATEO MPINDUZI-MOTT *
Stage Directions	ASHLEY ROSE WELLMAN

SETTING

West Virginia, Pennsylvania

The Present-ish

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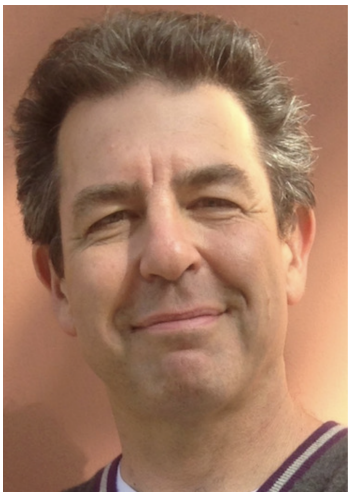
Playwrights' Biographies

SJ Roth has had his plays produced and workshopped in New York, Los Angeles and Connecticut. His screenplay for The Chaperone is streaming on Tubi TV.



Genia Michaela recently earned an MFA in screenwriting (NYFA). She is currently shopping an hour-long supernatural medical drama, a feature romantic dramedy, and a feature historical adventure. As an actress, Genia has appeared on and off Broadway, and has worked with such luminaries as S. Soderbergh, A. Pacino, A. Alda, M. Sheen, R. McEntire, R. Gere, D. Luna, and J. Irons. She studied at U. North Carolina School of the Arts (opera), M.I.T. (physics), and Yale (ice hockey and theatre).