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**Alternative Theatre Los Angeles in Association with LA Stage Alliance
Presents**

“TOGETHER LA: A VIRTUAL STAGE FESTIVAL”

**Chance Theater is very excited to be participating in this virtual festival with a 10-minute play
written by O.C. playwright, Emily Brauer Rogers**

September 23, 2020 ... Alternative Theatre Los Angeles (ATLA) in association with LA Stage Alliance (LASA) presents “Together LA: A Virtual Stage Festival” celebrating the vibrant and diverse intimate theatre scene of the greater Los Angeles area.

“While the doors to our theaters may be shut, our artists continue to innovate and utilize new technology to serve Los Angeles and promote the importance of theatre. Join us as we celebrate works that are created specifically for a virtual format. Over the course of three weekends, thirty-four (34) of ATLA theatre companies will showcase 10-minute works, digitally produced and virtually shared. Each evening will be hosted by celebrity guests.” - ATLA

Chance Theater is producing the ten-minute play, *Edge* written by O.C. playwright, Emily Brauer Rogers and directed by Katie Chidester. The two-person play about two women in a precarious situation after making a brash decision will star Chance Theater Resident Artists Rachel Oliveros Catalano (*Ragtime*) and Amanda Zarr (*The Vandal*). The show will perform on Friday, October 9th as part of the festival.

TOGETHER LA FESTIVAL will be free to the public to stream via Twitch.tv, opening October 1, 2020 and running through October 17, 2020. ATLA welcomes sponsors and donors. Donations will benefit Color of Change.

Participating theatre companies include: 24th Street Theatre, Actors Co-op, Ammunition Theatre Company,

Celebration Theatre, Chance Theater, Coin and Ghost, Company of Angels, Echo Theater Company, Ensemble Studio Theatre/LA, IAMA Theatre Company, Impro Theatre, Independent Shakespeare Company, Interact Theatre Company, Lower Depth Theatre Ensemble, Macha Theatre, Open Fist Theatre Company, Ophelia's Jump Productions, Pacific Resident Theatre, Playwrights' Arena, Rogue Machine Theatre, Sacred Fools Theater Company, Sierra Madre Playhouse, Skylight Theatre Company, The 6th Act, The Fountain Theatre, The Group Rep Theatre, The Inkwell Theater, The New American Theatre, The Odyssey Theatre Ensemble, The Road Theatre Company, The Victory Theatre Center, Theatre of NOTE, Theatre West and Whitefire Theatre.

Alternative Theatre Los Angeles is a community of 64 professional intimate theaters based in the greater Los Angeles area. Like Los Angeles, the theatre community has always been at the forefront of innovation. ATLA came together five months ago to discuss how to move through the current COVID crisis and come out stronger. ATLA is committed to uplifting unrepresented voices, raising the bar and pushing the boundaries of professional theatre. At weekly virtual roundtables, ATLA continues to remind us that theatre is a collaborative art form, stronger together as one community.

LA Stage Alliance (“LASA”) works with the theatre community to expand awareness, appreciation, and support of performance arts. As a new form of theater emerges, LASA will continue to support artists and engage audiences through a series of programs, events, and advocacy efforts. All our initiatives aim to serve and strengthen the sector — both at an individual and public level. LASA will continue to provide resources that facilitate audience engagement, collaborative marketing, community building, and professional development. LASA has modified its event hub, www.onstage.la, to now promote virtual events and share all that Los Angeles is creating.

Chance Theater is proud to be one of the leading ensemble-driven theatre companies in Southern California, having received the National Theatre Company grant from American Theatre Wing for “nurturing a community of artists in ways that strengthen and demonstrate the quality, diversity, and dynamism of American theatre.” The Chance has won seven Ovation Awards, including three for Best Production of a Musical (Intimate Theatre) for its regional premiere of *Lizzie, The Musical*, the West Coast premiere of *Triassic Park – The Musical* and Southern California premiere of *Jerry Springer – The Opera*, as well as four LADCC Awards, including the Polly Warfield Award for Outstanding Season. The Anaheim City Council named Chance Theater “the Official Resident Theater Company of Anaheim” in 2014, and Arts Orange County has twice named the Chance as “Outstanding Arts Organization.” Known for using bold and personal storytelling to promote dialogue and connection within the Southern California theatrical landscape, the Chance is committed to contributing to a more compassionate, connected and creative community. As a constituent member of Theatre

Communications Group, Orange County Theatre Guild, and LA Stage Alliance, Chance Theater continues to bring national attention to the Southern California and Orange County theater scenes.

CALENDAR LISTING

Run-time: Approximately 10-minutes for each piece

What: "Together LA: A Virtual Stage Festival"

When: Opening October 1, 2020 and running through October 17, 2020

Where: TogetherLAFestival.org

Description: "Together LA: A Virtual Stage Festival" celebrating the vibrant and diverse intimate theatre scene of the greater Los Angeles area. Over the course of three weekends, thirty-four works created specifically for a virtual format will showcase 10-minute works, digitally produced and virtually shared. Each evening will be hosted by celebrity guests.

Tickets are free but reservations are required. We invite donations to benefit Color of Change.

Reservations: TogetherLAFestival.org

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