

“Groove is in the Heart” selected for the New Orleans Fringe Festival, November 11th – 15th, Marigny Theatre, New Orleans.

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Rebellion Dogs Productions will present the new romance noire by New York City based playwright, Pamela A. Popeson, at the Marigny Theatre as part of the New Orleans Fringe Festival. “Groove is in the Heart”, a multi-media, one-act stage play about love and romance features icons of romance such as Romeo & Juliet, Tarzan and Jane, and Mom & Dad. Well maybe not *your* Mom & Dad.

“Groove is about the tenderness of young love, the tired, but tried and true, familiarity of old love, and everything in between” says Popeson. “In matters of the heart, we carry our whispered sweet nothings next to our yearnings for sweet revenge. It’s a curious passion – *love* –it can inspire wondrous acts of beauty as well as a certain criminal behavior.”

This is the first time Popeson will be featured at the Fringe, though her production partner, *Rebellion Dogs Productions*, has showcased her short work at *DramaRama*, New Orleans other performing arts festival, since 2002.

Popeson’s full-length plays have been performed Off- Broadway (“What Comes Next” and “The Bigger Thing”) and at the Edinburgh Fringe. “Popeson proves to be a visionary writer” said Martin Denton of nytheatre.com in review of “The Bigger Thing.” Her one-act plays have been performed in festivals across the country.

The “Groove is in the Heart” ensemble cast members are all veteran New Orleans actors. Liam Kraus was most recently seen in “Finer Noble Gases” at the Marigny. Krista Schafer’s recent work includes “Some Girl(s),” and “Proof.” Bob Scully is currently performing in “Damn Yankees.” Margeaux Fanning was recently seen in “Talking With,” and “Verbatim Verboten.” Richele Pitalo has worked with Popeson on several one-acts at *DramaRama* including “Women’s Work,” which David Cuthbert of The Times-Picayune called “determinedly original.”

The New Orleans Fringe Festival, November 11-15, will be an extraordinary five days of theater, performance art and spectacle. Forty groups from around the country and New Orleans will be presenting over 120 shows in venues across the city. The shows include the exotic, the dramatic and the insane: drama, dance, one-person shows, cabaret, comedy, puppetry, clowning, improvisational, aerialist and many other creative works. The Fringe Festival Tent located at the corner of Press and Dauphine Streets in the Marigny is the heart of the Festival; it is a big-top where audience members and performers can mingle over refreshments, read audience reviews, and enjoy free entertainment.

“Groove is in the Heart” performances at the Marigny Theatre, 1030 Marigny Street, on Wednesday, November 11 at 7 PM, Friday, November 13th at 9 PM and Sunday, November 15th at 3 PM. The play runs 35 minutes. All tickets are \$7.00 and can be purchased through Ticket Web by phone at 866 968-7630, online at www.ticketweb.com, at the Fringe Festival Tent during the festival, or at Marigny Theatre box office prior to performance time.

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