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WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY RUBY HUTSON-ELLENBERG, *EVE AND HER NEIGHBORS* FINALIZES PERFORMANCE DATES AND CAST FOR ITS NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FRINGE FESTIVAL DEBUT. FringeNYC is a production of The Present Company.

Tickets \$18. For tickets visit <http://www.FringeNYC.org>. *Eve and Her Neighbors* will be performed Wednesday, August 17 9:30-10:40 pm; Friday, August 19 4:15-5:25 pm; Monday, August 22 4:15-5:25 pm; Friday, August 26 8-9:10 pm, and Sunday, August 28 12-1:10 pm at Venue #9, The Kraine Theater, 85 East Fourth Street, NY, NY 10003. For more information, visit www.eveandherneighbors.org.

New York, New York - - July 7, 2016 - - Ruby Hutson-Ellenberg's biting satirical script for *Eve and Her Neighbors*, captures female angst over the marriage culture--an angst as old as the Genesis story--and the eternal desire for female friendship.

It's Adam and Eve's one year anniversary, but it sure doesn't sound like it. They yell and belittle each other; there's plenty of contempt and trouble with an in-law . . . on second thought, maybe it is a traditional celebration. When Eve storms off during a fight, she discovers other women exist, a fact God hid from her, suspecting Eve would rather live with the women than with Adam.

Cultivating the premise that many of our sexist laws and cultural norms stem from religion casting Eve as the fall gal for exile from Paradise are the recently announced cast members:

Eva Marie Mastrangelo, as *Eve*, the first lonely, vulnerable yet tough and furious housewife;
Lauren Gray as *Shirley*, Eve's newly-discovered, charming, disarming, and adventurous neighbor;
Alverneq Lindsay as *Doreen*, Shirley's loveable, no-filters sidekick;
Aaron Sparks as *Adam*, a spoiled, petulant man-child with a fierce temper; and
Adam Feingold as *God*, the stubborn parent who dominates Adam and Eve.

Mastrangelo (Eve) appeared most recently as Sister Mary Lazarus in Fireside Theater's *Sister Act the Musical*. Her acting credits include *A Wonderful Life*; *Elise: a New Musical*; *Hello Muddah, Hello Faddah*; and *Top Girls*. Gray (Shirley), is an improv vet of Thunderbolt Comedy's Experiment Theatre in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, on the theatre's house team "Heiress" and its indie team "Picture Day." Lindsay (Doreen) is a Frank Sinatra High School alum with Hutson-Ellenberg and a Hunter College media studies graduate who currently works in advertising. Sparks (Adam) previously acted in FringeNYC in *Exodus* and *Good Good Trouble on Bad Bad Island* and regionally in *Tribes* (Heartland Theatre); and *Oliver* and *Fiddler on the Roof* (The Muny). Feingold (God) returns to theater after working in television during the last year where he may be seen as Billy, a recurring role in AMC's *Feed the Beast*; Cousin Hershel in HBO's *Vinyl*; and Jackie the mover on Louie CK's *Horace and Pete*.

Hutson-Ellenberg wrote *Eve and Her Neighbors* for the Primary Stage's First Draft playwrighting class in July 2014.