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I CONFIDANT

BETA PROGRAM

IN LOVING MEMORY  
*of*  
STACEY ERIKSON  
1984 – 2019  
*For connecting us all.*

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## DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

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The power of immersive theatre in my life can never be articulated in a few short paragraphs. There is something undefinably necessary about stepping out of the real world and escaping into the fantastical. For me, as an artist and creator, I wanted nothing more than to leave 2020 and journey into another time and place.

iConfidant was conceived and created as a rabbit hole that allowed our participants to break out from their reality and enter a bizarre and disordered world.

But, more important than the narratives were the relationships. At its core iConfidant was about connection. The last year has been full of isolation and turmoil for so many we wanted to remind our community you are not alone.

These stories, all fiction - but this community was real. The friendships formed, authentic. Just because we live in different cities and across oceans, we are still united; we are still there for each other.

We promised friendships, but it was the community that made that a reality, not only with their Confidants but with each other.

One thing remains true regardless of circumstance: There is no substitute for authentic human connection. In this unprecedented and challenging time you are never alone; you are part of this community, and we have your back.

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## **PRODUCTION TEAM**

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# **I C O N F I D A N T**

**CREATED BY  
DARREN LYNN BOUSMAN  
AND  
JOSHUA RYAN DIETZ**

**PRODUCED BY  
DARREN LYNN BOUSMAN**

**CO-PRODUCED BY  
MORGAN ROOMS**

**GRAPHIC DESIGN  
AMANDA DE SOUZA**

**MULTI-MEDIA  
MORGAN ROOMS**

### **WRITERS**

**DARREN LYNN BOUSMAN  
JOSHUA RYAN DIETZ  
MORGAN ROOMS  
STEPHANIE HYDEN  
LAWRENCE MEYERS**

**JACE ANDERSON  
ADAM GIERASCH  
SANTIAGO VEGA-ALBELA OSORIO  
AMANDA DE SOUZA  
MAX FRIEDLICH**

**MODERATOR  
SEAN RICH**



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## iCONFIDANT: A STORY IN 3 ACTS

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### Character Story

Written by:

*Christopher: "Broken Love"*

*Mason: "All for My Son"*

*April: "A New Life"* .....DARREN LYNN BOUSMAN & AMANDA DE SOUZA

*Dale & Tom: "Father and Son"*

*Lizzy: "Choke"*

*Garrett: "The File"*

*Phil, Ben and Samantha: "The Family Next Door"* .....JOSHUA RYAN DIETZ

*Fiona: "Obsessive Control"*

*Xavier: "Obsessed Controller"*

*[Redacted]: ["Redacted"]* ..... MORGAN ROOMS

*Christine: "Lyin Eyes"*

*Bob: "The Pretender"*

*Maggie & Conor: "The Sicilian Job"* .....LAWRENCE MEYERS

*Estella: "Dog's Day"*

*Lane: "Somebody to Love"*

*David: "Good Boy"* .....STEPHANIE HYDEN

*Max: "Max's Lament"*

*Dylan: "House Arrest"*

*Lexy: "Tea and Scones"* .....JACE ANDERSON & ADAM GIERASCH

*Alexa: "Puppy Love"*

*Rachel: "The Girl Next Door"*

*Sara: "Mother's Intuition"* .....SANTIAGO VEGA-ALBELA OSORIO

*Jeff & Anthony: "Christina"*

*Langston: "The Comedian"* .....MAX FRIEDLICH



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## DIRECTOR

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### **DARREN LYNN BOUSMAN**

Is a writer and director of immersive theater and film. His film credits include *Saw II*, *Repo! The Genetic Opera*, and upcoming *SPIRAL*. In the last few years however, Bousman has fallen deep down the rabbit hole co-creating the immersive experiences, *The Tension Experience*, *The Lust Experience* and *Theatre Macabre*.

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## SHOWRUNNER

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### **JOSHUA RYAN DIETZ**

Is a writer, producer, and development executive living in Los Angeles, California. He has penned several scripts for various production companies, including horror feature *The Darkness Below*, which is being produced by Phoenix Pictures. This is his first endeavor into creating immersive theater, but it will not be his last.

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## WRITERS

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### **MORGAN ROOMS**

Morgan has worked with Darren for [redacted] years, ever since [redacted]. He has been responsible for all the music, video, and puzzles since then, and now adds [redacted] to that list. Previously a manager at Burning Man's GP&E dept., a 90's DJ and producer, and a classified series of projects in-between, Morgan's life was changed through finding immersive theater. Seeing the positive effects that even the darkest stories can have on our fans still makes me - I mean him - emotional. *iConfidant* was a story, but the connections you made with each other are real, your friendships are real, and if you maintain and support them, Stacey will have achieved in death what she couldn't in life. See you all next time round...



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## WRITERS

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### STEPHANIE HYDEN

(WRITER) is a creative and versatile performer, writer, and immersive theatrical specialist. She appeared as the Master of Ceremonies and Tour Host for the cult sensation *The Devil's Carnival* and its follow-up, *The Devil's Carnival: Alleluia!* She also appeared in, and was part of the production team for, the ground-breaking

ensemble immersive shows *The Tension Experience*, *The Lust Experience* and *Theatre Macabre*.



### LAWRENCE MEYERS

(WRITER) is a TV writer/producer (*Picket Fences*, *The Pretender*, *Outer Limits*, *Crossing Jordan*), author of 3 books (*Teacher of the Year: The Mystery & Legacy of Edwin Barlow*, *Inside the Writer's Room*, *Bond Forever*), and writer/producer/actor of both traditional and immersive theater (*Porn Rock*,

*Dark Arts*, *Precinct 187*).



### JACE ANDERSON & ADAM GIERASCH

(WRITERS) Jace Anderson and Adam Gierasch are horror and young adult screenwriters with over 14 produced films. They have worked in both indie and studio features, and have been honored to work with horror greats like Dario Argento, Tobe Hooper and Clive Barker.



### SANTIAGO VEGA-ALBELA OSORIO

(WRITER) is a rising senior finishing his B.F.A in screenwriting at Chapman University. Born in Mexico and growing up in Southern California, he is an activist and cinefile eager to give a voice to the Latinx community.



### AMANDA DE SOUZA

(WRITER) has recently survived working as Darren Lynn Bousman's Assistant on *SPIRAL*. She has written and directed award-winning short films in NYC & LA, and is most known for her design work on the Netflix film *To All the Boys I've Loved Before*. She made this program and would like to meet McGuff.



### MAX FRIEDLICH

(WRITER) is a writer from New York with projects in development at SONY TV and FX. He works in digital marketing and social media for the likes of Lil Miquela, Diplo, and AriZona Iced Tea.





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## CONTROL GROUP

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### MARTIN HEAD

(*LANGSTON*) Martin is so excited to be a part of this unique and exciting project. Thank you for the opportunity.



### BOBBY C. KING

(*MASON*) is a film and stage actor with a resting serial kill face and a heart of gold (that he ripped out of your neighbor's chest)



### SAM EVENSON

(*GARRETT*) has trained and performed with various improv troupes in LA, has directed multiple short films, and contributed to dozens of shows, films, and commercials as a VFX artist. He loves his dog McGuffin very much, and wants the world to know that the dog is safe, healthy, happy, and pretty damn lazy.



### THRESA RICHARDSON

(*TABITHA*) is a multi-hyphenated and slightly caffeinated lover of words whether scripted or improv. She works as an Actress-Writer-Producer on projects big and small (as long as the mug is full).



### ANDREW SOMERS

(*JEFF*) is a Hollywood actor who first worked with Darren Lynn Bousman on *The Tension Experience*, his experience as a voiceover actor lent itself well to *iConfidant*. "Immersive theater is as enthralling and all consuming for the actor as it is for a participant—an unmatched experience for all."



### BENEDIKT SEBASTIAN

(*BEN*) is an award winning multi-dimensional artist, writer and actor. His passion for visual communication and storytelling took him into filmmaking, behind and in front of the lens where he has appeared in numerous films and series. He lives in Los Angeles and recently completed his Masters in Creative Writing.



### ANDREA NELSON

(*FIONA*) is a theatrically trained actress, model and martial artist based in LA. She is passionate about immersive theater, and has a penchant for cooking, fantasy novels and murder podcasts. [imdb.me/andreanelson](http://imdb.me/andreanelson)



### GERALD WATERS

(*DALE*) comes from the south but determined to defy all odds. From New York to Los Angeles he is rolling towards his dream.





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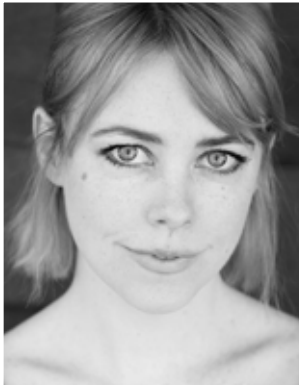
### CILLA SILVIA

(LEXY) is a professional actor who lives in London with credits including, *We Will Rock You*, *American Idiot*, *The Last Five Years*, *Hair*, *West Side Story*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* etc. Cilla Silvia just finished the new show, *The Boy in The Dress* with the Royal Shakespeare Company. Instagram: @Cillasilvia Twitter: @MissuesN



### ERIKA QUINTANA

(ALEXA) is a bicoastal actor currently based in New York City and she's super ecstatic to join Darren's new immersive piece since her previous work on *The Tension Experience* was one of her favorite projects to date. To learn more about her, visit [www.ErikaQuintana.com](http://www.ErikaQuintana.com) or keep up with her on instagram @erikaquintana !!



### ERIN OWNBEY

(LIZZY) is an actress born and raised in the south. She has her B.A. in theater and you can see her in *Ozark*, *Atlanta*, and *The Dirt*.



### DAMIEN GERARD

(CONOR) Damien is a British classically trained actor who worked with Darren as the role of 'Simon' in *The Tension Experience*. Voice credits include *Call of Duty* and *Elder Scrolls*, as well as a number of TV and film credits in the USA and UK.



### CEARA LEDWITH

(RACHEL) Ceara (Care-Uh) Ledwith is a New York City based actress and singer originally from Vermont. Please visit [CearaLedwith.com](http://CearaLedwith.com) for further information, or follow her on Instagram @cearaledwith.



### MARIANNE GOODELL

(SARA) is an NY based actor, mom of three adult wonders, and wife to her dream guy. She loves to collaborate on new work for the stage and film, and is currently part of The Red Lipstick Gang sketch group putting their funny, crazy shit on YouTube. [www.marianne-goodell.com](http://www.marianne-goodell.com)



### JOSH CHACONA

(CHRISTOPHER) left Austin, Texas over 15 years ago to pursue a career in entertainment. He starred in independent films *Rounds* and *Hallettsville*. In 2010, he placed his Hollywood aspirations on hold to focus on family and his career in technology.

*iConfidant* is his first foray into the ARG universe and he is now looking forward to "Act 2" of his professional acting career.



### RACHEL LEVY

(CHRISTINE) is a stage, screen, improv and voice actress with many immersive projects under her belt. For more information, go to [www.rachellevy.net](http://www.rachellevy.net)



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### **CURTIS TYRONE SCOTT**

(PHIL) is a USC classically trained actor who loves the dark side of it all from theatre, film and television, to art, music and immersive experiences.



### **JONATHAN DANIEL BROWN**

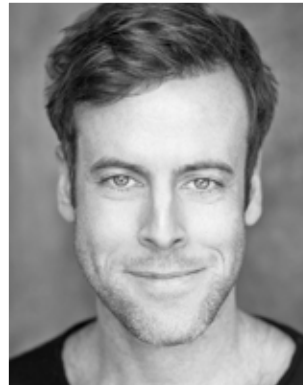
(ANTHONY) has spent the last 10 years writing, acting, directing, podcasting, and performing stand up. He is considering asking his mother to give him a haircut and looks forward to doing drugs with his friends again.



### **ANTHONY CORNATZER**

(DAVID) Pursuing a BA dual degree with concentrations in Theatre Performance and Media Production and a minor in Writing at Stockton University in New Jersey, Anthony is honored to be part of such a unique and timely immersive experience. Credits include: Acting with the Philadelphia Troupe of American Immer-

sion Theater with The Murder Mystery Co., *An Ocean in My Soul* (Colonist, Virtual Staged Reading) and *In The Event of a Tie* (Insomnia Theatre) (Director, Stockton Theatre Club).



### **CHRIS KILLIK**

(MAX) has worked as a professional actor for the last 16 years playing leads in Shakespeares, Plays and Musical Theatre.

Chris is delighted to be part of iconfidant something even more crazy than what we are going through right now.



### **NOEL CECIL**

(DYLAN) is a British born screen actor, who has lived overseas. Usually cast as a villain!



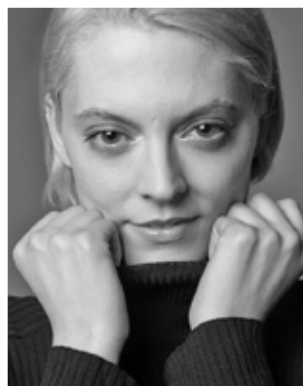
### **ROB ZABRECKY**

(XAVIER) Through a wide range of artistic work that spans acting, writing, magic, and music, Rob Zabrecky has established himself globally as an original entertainer. There's simply no other entertainer like him.



### **ALLISON LANIER**

(LANE) is a New York City based actor and filmmaker. She's best known for her recurring role in season 3 of *Red Oaks*, her obsession with home improvement, and her ability to make up (in her mind) Broadway-worthy musical numbers on the spot and yet still not be able to carry a single tune.



### **ANASTASIA ROMASHKO**

(SAMANTHA) is a New York based actor; she's originally from Russia but grew up in Switzerland. Anastasia has trained at HB Studio as well as with Nina Murano and Alice Spivak. She has experience in both theater and film.



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### SHAWN ROBERT ASHMORE

(HIMSELF) is a Canadian film and television actor known for his roles as Bobby Drake/Iceman in the *X-Men* film series, Jake Berenson in the television series *Animorphs*, Agent Mike Weston in the television drama series *The Following*, Eric in the horror film *The Ruins* and Sam Spencer in

the ABC series *Conviction*. Ashmore also plays the main character, Jack Joyce, in the 2016 video game *Quantum Break*, as well as Conrad in *Man of Medan* (2019).



### EMILY CHACONA

(APRIL) After completing a BFA in theater from Syracuse university, Emily worked in commercial and independent films. She then transitioned from acting to a successful career in personal shopping and celebrity styling. After 4 years as a stay-at-home mom, she returned to her theater roots in *iConfidant*. With her passion for acting reignited,

she's excited for a new chapter!



### DON SCHLOSSMAN

(BOB) Film: *Dakota*, *Kuffs*. TV: *Judging Amy*. LA theater credits include the male/female twins Gunner and Trigger in the world premier musical, *Don't Hug Me: We're Married*, Hartwell Clark in the LA premiere of A.R. Gurney's *O Jerusalem*, Billy Pilgrim in the west coast premier of *Slaughterhouse Five*, LA directing credits include the

US premier of Miro Gavran's *My Wife's Husband*, *Beyond Therapy* and *Three Sisters*.



### SHANNON ESTABROOK

(MAGGIE) from *The Tension Experience* and *Theater Macabre*, can be heard as Moneta Radford on the radio play *The Great Wizarding War* and as Rosalind Ursula on the podcast *Arden* available on iTunes and Spotify.



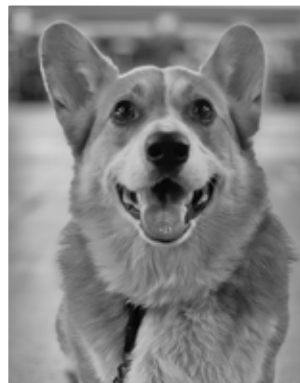
### DAYTON CALLIE

(TOM) star of the small screen and large select credits include *Sons of Anarchy*, *Deadwood*, and the feature film *Abattoir*.



### MELINDA DEKAY

(ESTELLA) Been there, done that, really old, but still breathing. I am here. Thank the Lord! Love a challenge!



### MCGUFFIN

(MCGRUFF) is a two time Emmy-nominated actor most well-known from his breakout role as Gadot in Beckett's *Waiting for Gadot*. His *TED* talks have amassed tens of millions of views and he was the first dog to be listed in *TIME's 100 Most Influential People* list. In his downtime he enjoys long walks and

licking the place between his legs where his balls used to be.

