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NASTY

a new devised political shit storm

director: Rosanna Saracino

created by + starring: Uche Ama, Kit Boulter, Joella Crichton, Nickeshia Garrick, Annelise Hawrylak, Maighdlin Mahoney, Tea Nguyen, Nikolas Nikita, Denise Norman, Jordi O'Dael, Sofia Rodriguez, Heath V. Salazar, Shai Tannyan

Toronto Fringe 2017 Annex Theatre

July 5th - 10:00pm	July 12th - 4:00pm
July 8th - 7:30pm	July 14th - 9:15pm
July 9th - 2:15pm	July 14th - 9:15pm

July 11th - 5:45pm

Helmed by Rosanna Saracino and created by a cast of 13 diverse artists, including multiple Dora nominees and winners, NASTY is an exploration of the way femininity is villainized. Centreing around a crew of nefarious historical ladies and their reprehensible deeds, NASTY attempts to disassemble the narratives surrounding evil women.

The piece was crafted through a series of devised theatre explorations, writing prompts, and choreography. Inspired in part by Caryl Churchill's *Top Girls*, Atwood's *Penelopiad*, and Octavia E. Butler's *Lilith's Brood*, the ensemble has worked to examine these historical figures through an intersectional third wave feminist lens.

NASTY marks the inaugural production for Maelstrom Art Collective, a collective focused on theatre as a form of political resistance.

Media Info

INTERVIEWS available in English, French, and Spanish please contact Maighdlin Mahoney at maelstrom.art.collective@gmail.com

COMPS available for opening night