## HOOKED Company Bios

**Pepper Dance Projects** was formed by Artistic Director Kristen Pepper, a Toronto-based dancer, singer, actor, and choreographer, and a graduate of York University's BFA Dance program with Specialized Honours, concentrating on performance and choreography. Kristen recently served as the choreographer for *Villains: An 80s Musical Cabaret* (Small but Mighty Productions) at Buddies in Bad Times Theatre and contemporary pieces *premena* and *Going Through the Motions. Hooked* is the company's inaugural production.

Goldenberg Productions was founded in 2016 by Artistic & Executive Producer Brian Goldenberg, as a theatre development, licensing and production company. An experienced theatre producer and a two-time graduate of York University (BFA in Music, Schulich MBA specializing in Arts & Media Management), his theatre productions have been nominated for 16 Dora Mavor Moore Awards and have won 1 Dora Mavor Moore Award. Brian has worked as Assistant Producer at Acting Up Stage Company, Executive Director for Theatre 20, and Artistic & Executive Director for Angelwalk Theatre. Under Goldenberg Productions, Brian has worked with the award-winning Canadian clown duo, *Morro and Jasp* and is the co-producer of Adrian Marchuk's musical documentary concert series (*The Sweetest Sounds: The Richard Rodgers Legacy; Any Dream Will Do: The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber; Over The Rainbow: The Harold Arlen Story*). In 2017, Goldenberg Productions was at the helm in developing and producing three hit Toronto Fringe Festival productions that all received 4Ns in NOW Toronto: *Jay & Shilo's Sibling Revelry, Bad Date: a cautionary tale,* and *Maddie's Karaoke Birthday Party* (nominated for Outstanding New Work, My Entertainment World).