Play Synopsis

THE BIG HOUSE

Written and Performed by Tracey Erin Smith
Developed with and Directed by Sarah Garton Stanley

THE BIG HOUSE is based on the true story of Tracey Erin Smith's childhood when her father, a criminal lawyer, went to prison for fraud. Tracey has gathered her family together for a fictitious Passover Seder to try to understand all sides of the story. Meanwhile, in 2018, Tracey is invited to be a Dragon's Den type judge at a level four maximum security men's prison in California where she finds she has more in common with the inmates than she could have imagined.

The show is about isolation, the impact of things that happen in our childhood and how we reconstruct the past to give us what we need to more forward. And it's very funny.

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