

Cast announced for world premiere of *One in 3* Jan. 21-31 in Dallas

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The cast has been chosen for the world premiere performance of *One in 3*, a play that breaks the silence about abortion. The cast is Connie Gold, Liza Gonzalez, Emily Ko, Shauna McLean, Rhianna Mack, Thiago Martins, Renee Michael, Mollie Milligan, Vanessa Pena, Jenni Stewart and Austin Tindle. Director is Raphael Parry. Designers are Steve Leary, Brian McDonald, Tish Mussey, Bruce Richardson, and Aaron Patrick Turner. Film content is produced and directed by Julia Dyer.

Written by three established Dallas women writers and produced by Project X, *One in 3* will open Jan. 22 at the Green Zone, 161 Riveredge, near Oaklawn and Irving Boulevard in the Dallas Design District. It will preview on Jan. 21. It will run Wednesdays-Saturdays at 8 p.m., through Jan. 31. Tickets are \$20 for adults. Wednesdays are Pay What You Can. Call 214-421-2400 or visit www.onein3.org. Talkbacks are scheduled for Jan. 22, 24, 28, and 31.

One in 3 explores the experiences of a diverse group of women who make the choice to have an abortion. It reveals the courage, compassion, anger, love, grief, relief, defiance, and ambivalence of individual women facing a decision others often want to make for them, but only they can make for themselves. Far from depressing, *One in 3* seeks to destigmatize its subject matter through a compelling narrative filled with humor and drama.

One in 3 takes chances in more than its subject matter, incorporating film and other non-traditional elements for an experience designed to provoke, entertain, enlighten, and perhaps even heal. Some performances will be followed by talkbacks with the artists and activists.

Dates/Times/Location/Prices

January 21-31, 2009 *

Wednesday – Saturday

8:00 p.m.

Project X Studio at the Green Zone

161 Riveredge – Dallas, TX 75207

**Note that January 21st is a preview performance*

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The Dallas premiere is only the beginning for *One in 3*. The National Network of Abortions Funds plans to sponsor a national tour of the play to major cities across the U.S. The rights to the script, scenery, and film will be released to the Network, which will also make them available for translation into other languages and for independent productions in other cities. With this expanded platform, *One in 3* has the potential to generate a new national dialogue around abortion, shifting the conversation from the political controversy to the personal reality.

About the Playwrights

Gretchen Dyer is a documentary and feature film screenwriter whose film, *Late Bloomers*, was featured at the Sundance Film Festival, released theatrically in the U.S. and foreign markets, and broadcast on HBO Cinemax. She is the Executive Director of the Texas Equal Access Fund.

Victoria Loe Hicks is a playwright and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. Her plays *Jill's War* and *Truth Be Told* premiered in Dallas.

Merritt Tierce is a writer published in *Southwest Review* and featured by WordSpace. She is board president of the Texas Equal Access Fund.

About the Producers

Project X: TheatreDanceMusicFilm (PX) is a non-profit corporation founded in 2001 by acclaimed director, producer and actor Raphael Parry. Mr. Parry founded Project X with the desire to create a unique venue for eclectic programming and educational and community outreach services. The mission of Project X is to revitalize North Texas' cultural landscape by creating and presenting diverse art forms through innovative collaborations of theatre, dance, music, film and beyond. PX has presented a diverse array of intimate performances, workshops and gallery exhibits and has hosted such artists and companies as performance artist Laurie Anderson (in partnership with TITAS), musical innovators BL Lacerta, Massachusetts-based Shakespeare & Company, and Big Thought's award-winning arts education program Creative Solutions.

One Mind Productions, which will create the original film incorporated into the play, is a film production company founded by Gretchen Dyer and her sister, Julia Dyer. One Mind produced *Late Bloomers*, directed by Julia, and has other film projects under development, including *The Playroom* and *Backlash*.

The **Texas Equal Access Fund** is a nonprofit organization founded in 2005. Its mission is to promote reproductive justice for women in North Texas by helping to lower economic barriers to abortion access for low-income and disadvantaged women. The organization also works to inform and educate the public about reproductive justice issues. Since 2005, volunteers have processed more than 5,000 calls, providing information, referrals and emotional support in addition to helping more than 1,300 women pay for abortions. The TEA Fund is an affiliate member of the National Network of Abortion Funds, whose more than 100 grassroots groups raise money to directly help women cover the cost of abortion and to eliminate economic barriers to abortion.