

## **ABOUT QUEER CAT PRODUCTIONS**

*Queer Cat Productions* creates consent-forward, accessible, immersive theater and experiences that leave our audiences more connected. We create *playful, curious, haunted* works of art that are queer, not just in content, but in vision, perspective, care, and collaboration at every level of the process. We are committed to the spirit of *play*, as interactive and consensual; to *curiosity* about our world and each other; and to *haunting*: ancestry, fluidity, and resilience.

*We envision a world where artists are valued and cared for.* We create spaces that center artists and seek to provide access, agency, and opportunities for growth.

*We envision communities that are not only LGBTIA*+, *but queer.* Queerness as we define it is loving community, playfulness, joy, upending hierarchies, and collective liberation.

*We know that Black, Indigenous, and POC queer and trans resistance has made our existence possible.* We honor those queer ancestors by being accountable to one another, celebrating our survival, and fashioning the tools we need to build a world where we are most free.

*We believe consent-forward, accessible, immersive art has the power to leave audiences more connected.* We envision an artistic practice, process, and community that leads us to better show up for one another, fight for one another, and love one another as we build our liberated futures.

## VALUES

- We pay artists.
- We believe immersive interactive theater should be *physically accessible, consensual, collaborative, and fun.*
- We are a *consent-forward* company. We ask for and offer consent in order to honor everyone's different boundaries.
- *We believe in dismantling white supremacy.* The fight against white supremacy and anti-Blackness must be part of our daily life and work and art.
- *We believe practice makes progress.* We envision a community that has room for mistakes because there's a high level of accountability and high expectations. We are open to feedback from all people who are a part of our community: artists, Company, and audiences.



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- *We prioritize impact over intention.* We work to repair harm caused by our actions and strive to make our impact match our intentions. We center community care, listening, and repair.
- *We believe everything is fluid.* We embrace the "both and" and reject binary thinking. We know that creating and holding these values is a continual process, and they are subject to change. Our vision must evolve as we do!

Queer Cat Productions was founded by Nicole Jost (she/her) and Syr Beker (they/them) in 2017. Company members are Nara Dahlbacka (she/her), Pam Drummer Williams (she/her), Genevieve Jessee (she/her), Nikki Meñez (she/they), Rawiyah Tariq (they/them) and Simone Person (they/them).

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