

ALLEY CAT THEATER



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Roxbury Repertory Theater To Present Two Plays At JP PorchFest 2017

**Alley Cat Theater Founding Artistic Director John Greiner-Ferris And
Playwright Peter Snoad Featured Playwrights**

Boston, MA (7.5.2017) **Roxbury Repertory Theater** will present two short plays on July 8 at JP Porchfest 2017: *Taking Up Space* by John Greiner-Ferris and *Apple Pie* by Peter Snoad at The TheatrePorch Stage outside of the Loring Greenough House, located at 12 South Street on Monument Square.

About the plays

Taking Up Space by Alley Cat Theater's Founding Artistic Director John Greiner-Ferris will be presented at 3:30 p.m. and features Stephanie Cotton-Snell as Adele and Bill Marcus as Will. *Taking Up Space* is about Will who, after parking his truck in the same spot for sixteen years, comes home to find his new neighbor has parked his Jeep there. The effect it has on Will is, by turns, ludicrous and touching. We learn he's out of work, his wife is supporting the family as a waitress, but the two soldier on, in a world that has turned on them.

Apple Pie by Peter Snoad will be presented at 3:45 p.m. and features Karin Trachtenberg as Abigail and Luis Negron as Assaf. *Apple Pie* is about a lonely divorcee who woos a reluctant Lebanese immigrant with her homemade apple pie.

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Both plays are directed by Holly Newman, and were first produced in April 2017 at "Six Playwrights in Search of a Stage" by Roxbury Repertory Theater, Roxbury Community College.

About the playwrights

John Greiner-Ferris's plays have been produced in Boston, New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Cambridge and Provincetown, Massachusetts, as well as other cities throughout the United States. *Highland Center, Indiana* was a semifinalist at the Eugene O'Neill Center's Playwriting Conference. *Turtles* was a finalist at The Inkwell in Washington, D.C. as part of its Development Showcase and was further developed at Great Plains Theatre Conference. *Plank* opens this August in Boston at the Boston Center for the Arts after being further developed during a residency at Vermont Studio Center. John is the founding artistic director at [Alley Cat Theater](#), a member of StageSource, the Dramatist Guild, and co-founder of [Boston Public Works Theater Company](#). www.johngreinerferris.com.

Peter Snoch lives in Jamaica Plain and has had his plays produced around the country and internationally. Honors include the Stanley Drama Award, the Arthur W. Stone New Play Award, and playwriting fellowships from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts. From 2013-14, Peter was Visiting Playwright at Hibernian Hall, a multicultural performing arts center in Roxbury, that staged four of his full-length plays. Peter is delighted to be working with Roxbury Rep and JP Porchfest. <http://www.petersnoch.com/>

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