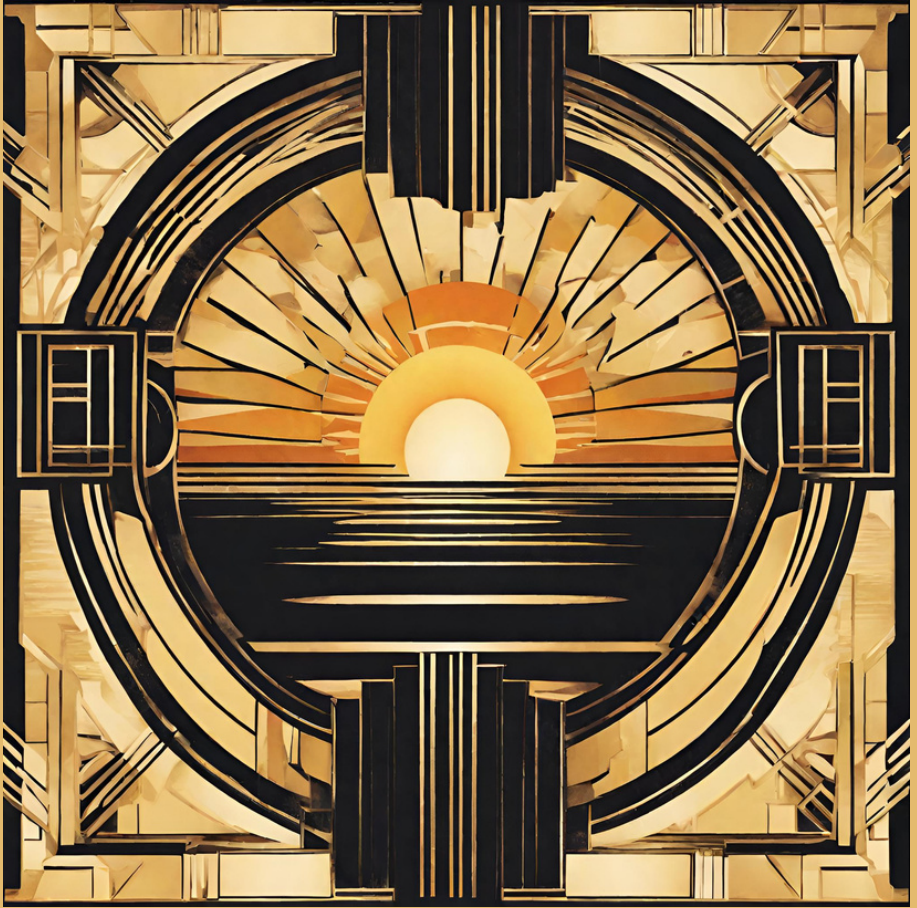


ACT1 THEATER

*The Ruby Sunrise*

by Rinne Groff



# *The Ruby Sunrise* by Rinne Groff

Original New York Production of THE RUBY SUNRISE  
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Commissioned by Playwrights Horizons with funds provided by the Harold and  
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**Directed by**  
Christopher Voss

**Stage Manager**  
Kimber Reid

**Set Design**  
Randy Bampfield

**Costume Design**  
Jessica Williams

**Technical Lead**  
Murray Mann

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## Cast

Ruby/Elizabeth.....	Chloe Camp
Lois/Ethel.....	Taylor Davidson
Lulu.....	Sabrina Para Diaz
Martin.....	Jeff Elam
Henry/Paul.....	Geoff Goff
Tad.....	Lex Maldonado
Suzie.....	Bria Washington

## Production Team

Director.....	Christopher Voss
Stage Manager.....	Kim Reid
Costume Design.....	Jessica Williams
Lighting and Sound Design.....	Murray Mann
Set Design/Film Production.....	Randy Bampfield

### **ACT1 Theater's Mission Statement:**

ACT1 Theater is an all-volunteer outreach of Alpharetta Presbyterian Church that produces high-quality and entertaining theatrical experiences and drama education. ACT1 Theater welcomes people of all backgrounds to an inclusive, loving, supportive and joyful environment in keeping with Christian values. We encourage growth and development as individuals and fellowship among all participants.

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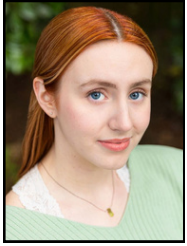
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# ***THE RUBY SUNRISE***

## **Cast Bios**



**Chloe Camp (Elizabeth Hunter/Ruby)** Chloe Camp is incredibly excited to be playing Ruby and Elizabeth in ACT1's production of *The Ruby Sunrise*. This is her third production with ACT1! She'd like to thank her wonderful friends that she met through ACT1, Courtney, Al, Molly, and Ben! She couldn't have gotten where she is today without their support and inspiration. She's very thankful for this experience!



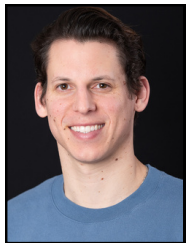
**Taylor Davidson (Lois Haver/Ethel Reed)** Taylor Davidson (Lois Haver/Ethel Reed) is excited to make her ACT1 Theater debut. Some of her previous roles include Honey in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* (Merely Players), Ginny in *Five Lesbians Eating a Quiche* (Proud Mary), Rosalind in *As You Like It*, Olivia in *Twelfth Night* (Upstate Shakespeare Festival), and Karen in *The Children's Hour* (Furman University).



**Sabrina Parra Diaz (Lulu Miles)** Sabrina Parra Diaz is a creative writer who had her ACT1 debut earlier this season as Juror #8 in *12 Angry Jurors*. She performed during her time at Emory's Theater program in *Nochera*, *The Park* and *The Infernal Machine*. Outside of theater, she appeared as background in *Stranger Things*, season 4. She hopes to have the plays she's written one day produced and performed!



**Jeff Elam (Martin Marcus)** Jeff is excited to be working with ACT1 again. His last appearance at ACT1 was as Annas in *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Favorite roles include Van Buren in *Damn Yankees*, Charles Schmendiman in *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, Henry Albertson in *The Fantasticks*, and John the Baptist/Judas in *Godspell*. Jeff would like to thank his wife Jeanine for continuing to support his hobby.



**Geoff Goff (Henry Hudnut/Paul Benjamin) #####** This is Geoff's second time working with ACT1, his first production being *A Higher Place in Heaven*. Other previous productions include *The Mousetrap*, *A Queer Carol* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. He is excited to be a part of this production with a fantastic cast and crew. He also enjoys spending time with his cats and working out with his F45 family. Thank you Chris!



**Lex Maldonado (Tad Rose)** Lex is happy to be back on the ACT1 stage. He has recently appeared in *Hamlet* at ACT1 Theater, but has also performed in *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Peter), *Once on this Island* (Papa Ge), *Dancing at Lughnasa* (Gerry Evans), and *My Name is Asher Lev* (Asher Lev). He would like to thank his family, friends, and partner for their continued support.

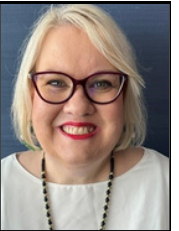


**Bria Washington (Suzie Tyrone)** Bria began acting as a child, and went on to earn her Bachelor of Fine Arts at the University of Texas at Austin. She recently returned to theatre after working in Film/TV in Atlanta, Austin, and Los Angeles. While, she's performed at various theatres around Atlanta, this is her first time performing with ACT1 Theater. She has very much enjoyed working with this cast!

## Production Team Bios



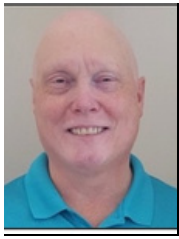
**Christopher Voss (Director)** Chris is thrilled to be making his directorial debut with *The Ruby Sunrise* at ACT1. Besides directing and stage managing, Chris has performed in a number of musicals and plays including Shakespearian plays. Notable roles include Lucien in *The Boys Next Door* (ACT1) and Charlie in *On Golden Pond* at Lionheart. Thank you, Teresa for supporting my passion!



**Kim Reid (Stage Manager)** Kim is extremely proud to be working with the cast of *The Ruby Sunrise*. She is grateful for Director, Chris Voss, and his faith in her. Kim lives in Cumming and enjoys walking on the greenway with her dog and volunteering.



**Jessica Williams (Costume Design)** Jessica is an Atlanta based Actor and Costume Designer; she has been performing for 20 years and costuming for 10. She resides with her husband and two daughters in Cumming, GA. Her recent costuming credits include *Almost, Maine* (Subtext Dinner Theatre), *Big the Musical* (ACT1), *Much Ado About Nothing* (ACT1), *Little Women* (The Oak Theater), *The Little Mermaid* (SJBA), and *Little Shop of Horrors* (ACT1).



**Murray Mann (Light and Sound Design)** Murray has been providing technical services for ACT1 for more than 20 years. He has occasionally appeared on stage during that time (including the memorable role of a French man in *Death by Chocolate*) but his real passion is the technical side of theater. He manages, and often runs, the lighting and sound systems for the main stage theater as well as the more portable gear used around town. He has an electrical engineering background but writes software for a living.



**Randy Bampfield (Set Design, Film Production)** Randy has taken real world building experience and combined that with lots of Googling to teach himself how to build theater sets. Most recently, he designed the sets of ACT1 Theater's *Eurydice*, *She Loves Me*, *Hamlet*, *12 Angry Jurors*, *Harvey*, *Christmas Story*, the Musical, *Silent Sky* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

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ACT1 Theater and the [City of Alpharetta](#) formed a partnership in 2017. Working together, we have produced plays and vignettes of William Shakespeare outdoors in [Wills Park](#), a series of songs and scenes for the City's inaugural Summer Concert Series in [Brooks Street Park](#), and plays in the [Alpharetta Arts Center](#) intimate Black Box Theater.

We are pleased to continue this partnership during ACT1 Theater's 2023-24 season and the City of Alpharetta's 2024 Fiscal Year. As a result of this continuing partnership, we are offering these shows.

### *Hamlet*

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## A Word from the Director

Admittedly, I was not familiar with *The Ruby Sunrise* before directing this play. The author, Rinne Groff, crafted a wonderfully inspirational story. Regardless of the obstacles we may encounter in life, we should continue to be persistent in pursuing our dreams. When one door closes, look for another open door!

I appreciate ACT1 giving me the opportunity to direct *The Ruby Sunrise* and for their continued commitment to presenting thought-provoking shows each winter and spring.

*The Ruby Sunrise* marks my directorial debut, and I could not have asked for a better cast. To them, my cast members, thank you for all your hard work developing your characters and putting together such a wonderful show. I also want to give a special shout-out to the many volunteers involved in the important behind-the-scenes work that took place to produce this show for you.

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Chris Voss

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