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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## THE WORLD PREMIERE OF TELL US WHAT HAPPENED MARKS WORKSHOP WEST'S INAUGURAL PRODUCITON AT THE GATEWAY THEATRE

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

(EDMONTON) Workshop West launches the premiere production of *Tell Us What Happened* by Michelle Robb at The Gateway Theatre (8529 Gateway Blvd). The play won the Novitiate Prize in the Annual Alberta Playwriting Competition in 2020, and is set to be a hot offering for Edmonton theatre audiences from May 11<sup>th</sup> – May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022. The show will run nightly at 7:30pm, with matinees at 1:30pm on Sundays. (No shows on Mondays).

Tell Us What Happened is a contemporary and fast-paced drama about Charlie and her two roommates who have been running a secret online 'girl group': 'Tell Us What Happened.' Tensions rise when members realize they have all been sexually mistreated by the same young man, Josh, who happens to be Charlie's best friend.

The play offers a complicated and nuanced look at an emotionally charged subject asking audiences to consider difficult scenarios for which there are no easy answers. This gritty lightning-fast new work is directed by Artistic Producer, **Heather Inglis**.

"It was early in the process of Michelle writing this play that I knew I wanted to produce and direct it. Michelle's characters have fresh, realistic and urgent voices in a complicated scenario where perpetrator of harm is someone they love. I think one of the roles of great theatre is to ask us to consider difficult scenarios for which there are no easy answers." – Heather Inglis

Set designer **Brian Bast**, multimedia designer **Ian Jackson**, lighting & costume designer **Whittyn Jason**, and sound designer **Kiidra Duhault** build the world of 2015, in this contemporary examination of how we can know - and not know - the ones we love.

Tell Us What Happened previews on May 11th, and opens May 12th, 2022.

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## CAST:

Gabby Bernard – Piper Matt Dejanovic – Josh Michelle Diaz – Zoey Bonnie Ings – Charlie Jameela McNeil – Leak

Michelle Robb – Playwright Heather Inglis – Director & Dramaturg

Brian Bast – Set Design
Ian Jackson – Multimedia Design
Whittyn Jason – Lighting & Costume Design
Kiidra Duhault – Sound Design
Murray Farnell – Fight Coach
Lora Brovold – Assistant Director
Betty Huslak – Stage Manager
Chris Hicks – Production Manager & Technical Director

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