

Six-Legs

Written by Laurie MacDonell and Tasha Roth

An original play from Second Date Productions for the 2022 Winnipeg Fringe

Venue 4 - The Fountain

Portage Place Shopping Centre Second Floor

The apocalypse has happened, and the only survivors have been forced underground. In *Six-Legs*, these three women live together underground, sustained almost wholly on bugs harvested from damp subterranean tunnels or trapped on the increasingly hostile surface above. All they have otherwise is each other. However, supplies are dwindling, and tensions are mounting. The women must struggle with the age-old question: leave, or stay?

The playwrights were inspired - inevitably, they found - by the pandemic that stalled their Fringe show by more than two years. Exploring themes of loneliness, change, and finding your place in the world, *Six-Legs* is a story that has helped the women find light in a dark time. The play incorporates elements of Shakespeare and Greek tragedy combined with modern language, and ultimately aims to be a tale for anyone at any time. It is also meant to be performed by anyone - while the production company wanted to provide an avenue for women's voices, they sought to create roles and themes that transcend age and gender.

Six-Legs stars **Cait Belton** as Clo, **Laurie MacDonell** as Lake, and **Tasha Roth** as Attie. The play is directed by **Kaitlynn Porath** and stage managed by **Erin Thorleifson**. All five women are Black Hole Theatre alumni from the University of Manitoba. While Laurie and Tasha were the lead writers, the ideas of the play and its final form are the result of the whole company's combined efforts.

Tickets for *Six-Legs* are \$12, or \$10 for students and seniors. For showtimes and ticket information, head to the Fringe Festival website at <https://www.winnipegfringe.com/Tickets-Passes.aspx>.