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## **Matt Owen's THE GIRL IN THE PARK Premieres at FringeNYC**

**Dalliance Theater** will premiere the new play *THE GIRL IN THE PARK* by **Matt Owen** in August 2010 at **The New York International Fringe Festival**, a production of The Present Company.

When Allan's perfect day in the park is interrupted by a chance encounter with a beautiful young woman, his life is instantly ripped open, testing the limits between love, loyalty, family, and unfortunate delusion. Playwright **Matt Owen's** break-out new work, *THE GIRL IN THE PARK*, digs into what we find when we look too close at love.

*THE GIRL IN THE PARK* marks **Matt Owen's** first foray into writing for theater, building on his work as the creative wunderkind behind the cult hit web series **EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY**. Directing this new work is **Jesca Prudencio** (*TRACES OF ERUPTION*; assistant to Ping Chong's *THE DEVIL YOU KNOW*, among many others), leading a talented cast which includes **Christy McIntosh** (*EVIL DEAD: THE MUSICAL*), **Burt Grinstead** (Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival's *JULIUS CAESAR*) and **Ana Nogueira** (*THE BOY IN THE BATHROOM* at NYMF; *THE BATTERY'S DOWN* web series).

"We're eager to return to the Fringe Festival with this stellar cast, and to introduce Matt's spectacular writing to New York audiences," noted **Dalliance Theater** Artistic Director, **Andy Ottoson**. "*THE GIRL IN THE PARK* is a deliciously twisted dark comedy, and we're thrilled to present the work of such a talented emerging writer."

Named one of BroadwayWorld.com's 2010 "Movers and Shakers" of the Indie theater scene, **Dalliance Theater** is a playground for artists, breathing new life into original, classical and obscure works. **Dalliance** presents this new piece fresh off the heels of its sold out March run of *WHO IS JORDAN BISHOP?* Previous lauded outings have included the bar-hopping phenomenon *BECAUSE OF THE ECONOMY...*, as well as the critically acclaimed production of Strindberg's masterpiece, *A DREAM PLAY*.

*THE GIRL IN THE PARK* will be performed in August 2010. The show is 90 minutes long with no intermission and is suitable for ages 15 and over. All tickets are \$18 at the door or \$15 in advance, beginning July 23 on-line at [DallianceTheater.com](http://DallianceTheater.com), by calling 866-468-7619, or at [FringeNYC.com](http://FringeNYC.com). To keep up-to-date on what is happening be sure to visit [DallianceTheater.com](http://DallianceTheater.com), on Facebook, or follow [@DallianceNYC](https://twitter.com/DallianceNYC) on Twitter.

THE GIRL IN THE PARK is an Actors' Equity Showcase production, pending approval.

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