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ALLISON MOORE'S

COLLAPSE

NOVEMBER 2-4 & 9-11, 2023 VIENNA BAPTIST CHURCH VIENNA, VA

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

COLLAPSE IS A PLAY THAT TAKES PLACE DURING THE FINANCIAL CRISIS OF THE LATE 2000S, HOWEVER THIS CRISIS IS REALLY NOT THE MAIN CRISIS OF THE PLAY BUT RATHER THE FINAL STRAW IN THE RELATIONSHIP CHALLENGES FOR HANNAH AND DAVID. WHAT I FIND INTERESTING ABOUT THIS PLAY IS HOW PRECARIOUS OUR LIVES AND THE LIVES OF THESE 4 CHARACTERS ARE, WITH IT ONLY TAKING JUST ONE EXTERNAL FACTOR TO CAUSE THE JENGA TOWER OF OUR LIVES AND RELATIONSHIPS TO TOPPLE. WHAT DAVID AND HANNAH EXPERIENCE, RELATIONSHIP DIFFICULTIES, FEAR, IMPOSTER SYNDROME, INFERTILITY, AND JOB INSTABILITY TO NAME A FEW, HAPPEN TO MOST OF US AT SOME POINT IN OUR LIVES.

ALLISON MOORE BRILLIANTLY EXPLORES WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT FEELS LIKE THE WORLD IS STACKED AGAINST YOU WHILE BUILDING IN WITTY DIALOGUE AND HIJYNX INTO EVERY SCENE. I ENJOYED EXPLORING WITH THE CAST THE PHYSICAL COMEDY OF THESE SCENES, THE DEEP TRAUMAS THAT THE CHARACTERS FACE, AND THE ABILITY TO INSPIRE AUDIENCES TO WANT TO CHEER THE CHARACTERS ON DESPITE ALL ODDS. I FEEL THAT AFTER THE PANDEMIC HAS GREATLY CHANGED HOW NEARLY EVERY ASPECT OF OUR LIVES, WE NEED THIS PLAY TO CHEER US ON TO PICK OURSELVES UP, DUST OURSELVES OFF, AND PUSH FORWARD THROUGH THE STRUGGLES OF EVERYDAY LIFE.

-PAUL DI SALVO

READ CAST AND CREW BIOS ON ABOUT THE ARTISTS

"Maybe we learn how to fall together" – Hannah

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OUR FAMILIES, FRIENDS, AND PETS
FOR ALLOWING US TO
TAKE THE TIME TO PLAY

