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Olivia D. Dawson—Winner of THE SEVEN 2025 with Performances on June 5–8!

Albuquerque, May 14, 2025—FUSION happily announces that Olivia D. Dawson from Decatur, GA, is a winner of the 19th annual short works festival, THE SEVEN—one of the nation's premiere short works festivals. This year, the jury selected from scripts based on the theme “When Nobody’s Watching.” Olivia D. Dawson was in the top seven scoring scripts from thirty-eight states and eight countries. This play, SECOND CHANCE, by Olivia D. Dawson, will receive a full production which will be performed on June 5–8 at FUSION | 708 in Albuquerque, NM. THE SEVEN will feature seven plays, seven directors, and a professional ensemble! According to Dawson, the play summary is “Three stories. Two people. One miracle.” Congratulations Olivia D. Dawson!

ABOUT OLIVIA D. DAWSON

Olivia D. Dawson is an actress, director, and playwright who is thrilled to be part of THE SEVEN. Her short plays JULIE and SLIPPAGE were part of Mildred’s Umbrella Theatre Company’s Museum of Dysfunction Short Play Festival VIII and X, respectively. Her short play, A FRUITFUL WASTE, was part of the full-length production of TRASH: A Theatre Lila Invention. She co-wrote and directed the full-length play, OUT LOUD, produced by eta Creative Arts in Chicago, IL. OUT LOUD was nominated for multiple BTAA awards, including Best Writer. She wrote the short film THE CLEARING, produced by Cheeks Films and wrote and produced the short film, THE PANDEMIC: A TRILOGY, produced by We All Can Dunk Productions/Cheeks Films. She is a member of Actor’s Equity Association, SAG-AFTRA, and Working Title Playwrights. SECOND CHANCE is dedicated to her friend and colleague who inspired this work: Cory Scott Allen.

ABOUT THE SEVEN

THE SEVEN is one of the nation's premiere short works festivals. It features seven fully produced world premieres, utilizing seven different directors and a professional ensemble cast. The scripts are read by a jury of theatre professionals (blindly, without any identification of the playwright), and the seven highest-scoring scripts are produced.

Tickets available at FUSIONnm.org, \$20–40

Thursday, June 5: 7:00 PM

Friday, June 6: 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 7: 2 PM & 7:00 PM

Sunday, June 8: 2:00 PM

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FUSION is a center for arts and culture in Downtown Albuquerque. Our multi-venue, 35,000 square foot campus hosts live music, dance, comedy, theatre, and film screenings. With three stages and both indoor and outdoor event spaces, FUSION is New Mexico's home for creative and cultural exploration. FUSION is home base for FUSION Theatre Company, New Mexico's only professional regional theatre company, named "one of the ten most promising emerging theatre companies in the U.S." by the American Theatre Wing. Founded in 2001, FUSION Theatre Company has been an Equity House since formation and is the longest-lived theatre company in New Mexico's history. Learn more at FUSIONnm.com.