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RENARD PRESS ACQUIRES EMMA ZADOW'S THIRD PLAYSCRIPT, BLACK HILLS

- The third in Renard's series of playscripts, following the publication of *Fridge* and *In the Moss* by the same talented young writer.
- Follows the success of the short film *Jigging*, written by and starring Zadow, released by the BBC in 2021.
- Longlisted for the Tony Craze Award and ETPEP Award.

Renard Press is thrilled to announce that it has acquired the third play by the talented young playwright and BBC New Creative Emma Zadow, *Black Hills*, a compelling and thought-provoking tour of a family's past.

Synopsis:

Set between the Black Hills of South Dakota in 1973 and East Coast suburbia in 1968, *Black Hills* picks out a stark portrait of intricate familial relationships, and how dark events in the past must be addressed before they take root.

Toying with heavy themes, and engaging with the notions of American identity and domestic violence, *Black Hills* is a thought-provoking tour of one family's past that leaves a lasting impression.

Praise for *Fridge*, published by Renard Press in 2021:

'*Fridge* is moving, heart-breaking and almost frustrating. In a society where we restlessly search for solutions, Emma Zadow has created a play that provides none and instead focuses on human relationships and their ongoing complexities.' Kirsten Murray, *Islington Now*

'The themes of classism, of family, and especially of the rural/city divide work so well on stage and are written and performed with honesty and creativity.' Katie Kirkpatrick, *Broadway World UK*



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Emma Zadow is an actor, playwright and screenwriter from Norfolk. She trained at Rose Bruford College as an actor, and her plays have been performed at the Arcola, the Old Red Lion Theatre, Camden Fringe Festival, Norwich Arts Centre and Pleasance Theatre. Emma is an alumni playwright from the Soho Theatre Writers Lab, and she was shortlisted for the ETPEP Award and Tony Craze Award. A BBC New Creative, her screenplays include the hit short film *The Cromer Special* and *Jigging*. Emma now lives in London.

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