



Chromatic Theatre

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Chromatic Theatre's Board of Directors is delighted and proud to announce that our artistic director, **Jenna Rodgers**, has been **awarded a 2018 Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Arts Awards Foundation's Emerging Artist Award**.

Emerging Artist Awards are presented to Alberta's most promising artists at an early stage of their careers to support their unique artistic development needs.

<http://www.artsawards.ca/emerging-artists/about-the-emerging-artist-award/>

Jenna is a most deserving recipient. For the past four years, she has been Chromatic's pulse and heartbeat, a courageous and dynamic artistic director. With a deft hand at collaboration and innovation across Calgary and throughout the province, she has worked tirelessly with our local arts community to further Chromatic's simple goal: creating opportunities for diverse artists. Under Jenna's vision, Chromatic has grown and flourished with bold programming like **Reading Rainbow**; a space for diverse works and artists to create community.

This summer, under Jenna's direction, Chromatic will be presenting **the world premiere** of a newly adapted *Winners and Losers* by James Long & Marcus Youssef (adapted by Valerie Planche, Makambe K. Simamba and Jenna Rodgers) at Toronto's *Summerworks Festival*, August 9-19. *Winner and Losers* will also premiere this Fall in Calgary.

It has been a pleasure working with Jenna since Chromatic's inception and through its early years. The entire Chromatic Theatre Board of Directors is extremely pleased at Jenna's well-deserved recognition, and looking forward to Chromatic's future as an essential arts organization, and Jenna's growing role as an arts leader in our city.

On behalf of Chromatic Theatre, please join us in congratulating one of Alberta's Emerging Artists, Jenna Rodgers.