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Rice University Department of Visual and Dramatic
Arts Theatre Program presents
Stop Kiss by Diana Son
Directed by Matt Huff

Dynamic, harsh, alive and trembling with untapped potential, Manhattan serves as the perfect setting for Diana Son's *Stop Kiss*. With wit and compassion, Son presents the story of two young women in New York City. Callie and Sara, after forming an unexpected friendship, are bound by a shy, mutual attraction. After months of hesitation, of small steps and comic missteps, their first and only kiss leads to a terrible act of violence. In the aftermath, they are left to question their already tentative relationship. Balancing subtle humor with gravity, *Stop Kiss* explores the meaning of living life to its fullest.

Stop Kiss was the winner of an Obie Award, the New York Times Best of 1999, and the 1999 Media Award from GLAAD.

Matt Huff is a freelance director and actor based in Atlanta and Houston. He received his undergraduate degree in Theater and Religion from Emory University and his M.F.A. in Directing from The University of Texas at Austin. Over the past 12 years, Mr. Huff has acted and/or directed at many regional theaters in Atlanta and the Southeast such as the Alliance Theater, Horizon Theater, Actor's Express, Jewish Theater of the South, Theater Emory, Aurora Theater and the Highlands Playhouse. He has assistant directed with nationally and internationally renowned directors such as Maria Irene Fornes and Lazlo Marton. Matt is also a Core Company Member of the acclaimed physical theater troupe Out of Hand and has collaborated with them in the creation of their dynamic ensemble-generated productions.

Performances are March 20th-21st at 8:00pm. March 22nd at 2:00pm, and March 26th-28th at 8:00pm. Tickets: Students \$5, Rice Alumni, Faculty, Staff & Senior Citizens \$8, and General Admission \$10. On opening night only, all tickets are \$5. Performances are at Hamman Hall. Tickets are available in advance by calling 713-348-PLAY or visiting <http://arts.rice.edu>.

