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The Aliens



Synopsis

Professional slackers and best friends KJ and Jasper spend their days talking music and Bukowski outside the back of a small coffee shop in Vermont. Seventeen-year-old Evan is eking out his summer working at the cafe. When he meets the two young men he is irresistibly drawn to their world of magic mushrooms, philosophical musings and great-bands - that never-were. One of the freshest voices to come out of America in recent years, Annie Baker's gentle, engaging and deeply funny play introduces two cult heroes in the shape of KJ and Jasper, and puts modern day America under the microscope. What happened to the generation who never grew up? "The Aliens" opened at the Bush Theatre, London in September 2010. The play's world premiere was held at the Rattlestick Playwrights Theater, New York, in April of the same year. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

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This play is a beautiful addition to humankind's literature. Annie Baker, a Pulitzer-prize winning playwright, has fashioned a play about isolation, kindness and respect, out of airy nothing. It is a fine work.

Annie Baker understands that smaller can be bigger. The seemingly slight premise deepens and deepens as the play goes, and by the end, I was thunderstruck. Kudos to Ms. Baker.

Wonderful!

They claim these characters are human. Just barely.

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