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## **Metal Mouth in association with Eastlake Productions** Vines by Alex Critoph



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A story of self discovery, **Vines** tells the story of a girl finding herself through a spiritual ayahuasca ceremony, a traditional psychedelic brew made from vines, that is said to be able to reveal the true meaning of life. Uplifting and thought-provoking, it's a look at how to become the person you want to be, why you behave the way you do and finding human connection. Sometimes in life you just need a little push in the right direction... sometimes that push can take you to another dimension you couldn't imagine in your wildest dreams.

Writer/performer **Alex Critoph** trained at LAMDA and has worked on BBC's Doctors, The Park Theatre and at The Waterloo East Theatre. She started writing and producing her own work whilst at The BRIT School under Metal Mouth **Productions**, with productions including *Sinisterrr* at The Hen & Chickens and Cockpit Theatre and Washed at Brighton Fringe. Director Lisa Cagnacci has worked as associate Artistic Director of Theatre503 (2011-2016) where her productions included We Wait In Joyful Hope, Animals, Dog Days and Billy Chickens Is A Psychopath Superstar (also at Latitude Festival) and as Associate Director at Southwark Playhouse (2009-2011) where her productions included Anansi: An African Fairy Tale. Other directing includes: F\*ing Feminists and The Nightclub (Hampstead Theatre, Women Centre Stage), Flight Lessons (The Space, Edinburgh) and Hannah\_27: Valiant Adventures of an Online Dater (Made From Scratch/ Latitude). Work with students includes Love and Information (Morley College), Confessional (ALRA). Lisa also teaches directing at Morley College.

'[Alex Critoph] depicts her story in granular detail... she commands extraordinarily' ★★★★(★) *Hiive* 

'Acerbic and whimsical... explores and expounds the Millennial outlook [and] exposes the effect of the male gaze that so many women feel themselves scrutinised by on a daily basis.' Verity Williams, London Pub Theatres, pubtheatres1.tumblr.com

'Very hot take on being a woman, a feminist and wondering if there is more to life... emotionally draining with moments of liberation.'

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