

MORE JUICE



written & directed by **gabriel thibodeau**

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Logline

Tess avoids her breast cancer diagnosis while housesitting her childhood home. When her estranged cousin Neil arrives unannounced to “comfort” her, it’s clear he has unresolved issues of his own.

Synopsis

After discovering a lump in her breast, Tess looks after her childhood home while her absentee mother is—surprise, surprise—away on business. Tess is soon joined by her cousin Neil: big, bald, bearded, and gay. Though they haven’t seen each other in years, Neil insists he’s arrived to comfort Tess during treatment. Unable to reach her mother, Tess must decide whether to turn Neil away or take comfort in his company.

A standalone short excerpted from a feature in early development, **MORE JUICE** is a delayed coming-of-age comedy for the millennial generation.





Emma Fassler Starring Actor

Emma hails from Oakland, CA, and is a graduate of the UCLA School of Theatre, Film, and Television. She can often be found wandering the hills and coffee shops of Los Feliz, quietly but enjoyably engaging with neighbors, strangers, and street art. Her film WE ARE GATHERED HERE, for which she was nominated for a Madrid International Film Festival Best Actress Award, recently premiered at the Manhattan Film Festival.

For documentation of her wandering observations, find her on Instagram [@emfassler](#).



Colton Mooney Co-Producer / Assistant Director

Colton's passion for storytelling grew from an early childhood obsession with sci-fi epics (STAR WARS, anyone?) and genre-bending horror flicks (ALIEN = genius).

Colton's voice as a writer and creator is colored by these early influences, as well as his interest in dark comedy, character-driven narratives, and stories from the LGBTQ+ community. He brings this unique perspective and a multi-faceted skillset to each of his projects and collaborations. He lives in Los Angeles, where he moonlights as a writer of creative content for various brands.



Gabriel Thibodeau Writer / Director / Co-Star

Gabriel Thibodeau is a queer Latinx creator/performer based in Los Angeles. He studied writing at UC Berkeley and has spent more than a decade producing various media, including work in books, film and video, and live events.

After years of creating content for best-in-class companies, Gabriel has rededicated his career to telling his own stories, both in print and on screen. His fiction has been published by various literary journals and received recent honors, including a Glimmer Train Short Story Award for New Writers, an 8th place ranking among McSweeney's Top 20 Stories of 2020, and the Speculative Literature Foundation Diverse Writers Grant.

MORE JUICE is Gabriel's directorial debut and is an excerpted proof-of-concept for a feature film in early development.

To read the feature-length script, or for more information about MORE JUICE, please contact Gabriel directly: GabrielThibodeau@gmail.com / (619) 871-9440





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LINKS

View the trailer, additional stills, BTS images, and more:

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