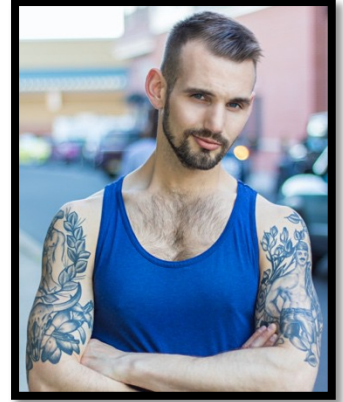


# CHRIS HARDER

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Chris an NYC-based playwright and burlesque performer who was born in a snow storm and originally raised in North Dakota. His plays are glittery, gritty, and oftentimes explore themes of physical transformation, like the multifaceted, at times monstrous connotations of queer identity. In Chris' worlds, movement becomes its own language, stitched together communities are hanging by a thread, and everyone is taking off their pants. Chris' work has been supported by the Provincetown Playhouse (MA), Dixon Place and the Laurie Beechman Theater (NYC), and Buddies in Bad Times (Toronto). Chris is a recent graduate of the Hunter College MFA Playwriting Program and a 2021 recipient of the City Artist Corps Grant.



## SELECTED PLAYS AND PRODUCTIONS

### *Vampires of Hell's Kitchen*

- 2022, staged reading with Hunter College, TBD

### *FREAKS! Or The First Werewolf*

- 2021, Staged Reading at Abrons Art Center, dir. Annika Praeger
- 2021, Recipient of City Artist Corps Grant

### *MY AJAX*

- 2021, Online Presentation for the Hunter College MFA Playwrights Festival, dir. Jackson Gaye
- 2020, Roundtable Reading with dir. Jackson Gaye

### *Fuck Off Julia, How Laura San Giacomo Saved My Life*

- 2020, Presented as Zoom Reading for the 2020 HOT! Festival at Dixon Place, dir. Annika Praeger
- 2019, Presented as Staged Reading at Hunter College, dir. Daniel Pettrow
- 2018, Presented in the Provincetown Theater's Winter Play Reading Series, dir. David Drake

### *Porn to be a Star*

- 2020, Nominated for "Best Spoken Word" performance, Broadway World Cabaret Awards
- 2018, Touring Performances: Buddies in Bad Times (TO), The Allways Lounge (New Orleans), The Dubrovnik (Helsinki, Finland), The Provincetown Theater (MA), The Wild Project (NY), Jackie Bradley's (Philadelphia), The Footlight Theater (Orlando)
- 2017, Presented at The Black Box in Ft. Lauderdale, dir. David Drake
- 2017, Presented at The Laurie Beechman Theater in New York, dir. David Drake

### *The Nasty Drew and That Harder Boy Burlesque Play Series*

- 2016-2017, Presented at the Laurie Beechman Theater in New York, dir. Tina Marie Canasta
- 2016, Presented at The Slipper Room in New York, dir. Tina Marie Canasta

### AWARDS

- 2021, Recipient of the City Artists Corps Grant, NYFA
- 2020, Recipient of the Pet Project Grant, Bushwick Starr and Jeremy O. Harris
- 2020, Nominee, "Best Spoken Word," Broadway World Cabaret Awards
- 2018, Featured Performer at the inaugural Provincetown 4 Star Solo Festival

### EDUCATION

- MFA Playwriting, Hunter College, 2021
- BFA Performance, University of North Dakota, 2008