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WRITTEN BY **EISA DAVIS**

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About the Show

Filled with passion and peppered with live music and gentle humor, this Pulitzer Prize finalist transports us to the predominantly white town of Boonville, nestled in the majestic Redwoods of 1955 California. Orphaned as an infant and possessing the mystical gift of clairvoyance, Bulrusher feels her small-town world closing in around her, until a mysterious Black girl from Alabama arrives harboring a secret, awakening new discoveries and uncovering old truths.

Hailed as "captivating and lushly poetic" (LA Times) Bulrusher garnered wider attention in 2020 when it was produced as part of the popular digital series Bard at the Gate. Launched by the Tony-nominated and Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Paula Vogel, and now curated by Ms. Vogel and director Nicole A. Watson in association with McCarter, the series continues to provide a platform for overlooked and underappreciated new American plays.

"Our goal with Bard is to bring new life to neglected works, and Bulrusher is a prime example of our dream realized," Vogel said. "Theatergoers who crave lyrical, refreshing and challenging plays will not want to miss it."

Meet the Playwright



Eisa Davis is an award-winning actor, writer, and singer-songwriter working on stage and screen. She was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in Drama for *Bulrusher* and has taught semester-long courses at Princeton University. As an actor she has starred onstage in the acclaimed Broadway rock musical *Passing Strange* and onscreen in *Mare of Easttown*, *Pose*, and *Succession*.

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