

# Nina Lucia Rodriguez

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## BIO

Nina Lucia Rodriguez (she/they) is a multidisciplinary artist based in Brooklyn, New York. Some of the forms in which she works include performing, screenwriting, poetry, directing, and devising. Nina is a *Western Mass Puerto Rican*™ and enjoys both leaf peeping and roasting an entire pig on a spit. She has aided in developing new work with theaters across the northeast such as the Williamstown Theater Festival, Playwright's Horizons, and Hartford Stage. She's a co-writer of the web series, *Gro Up*, for which she also directed the pilot episode. *Gro Up*'s pilot was shown at the Reel Sisters of the Diaspora Film Festival, the Pan African Film and Arts Festival, and Martha's Vineyard Virtual Film Festival. Nina has a Bachelor of Arts in acting and a minor in comedy from Emerson College. Although she did not complete her degree, she considers herself a "clown school dropout". Nina is dedicated to taking risks, collaborating with other artists, and engaging with the communities that surround their art.

## EDUCATION

**Emerson College, Boston, MA** - B.A. Theatre Studies: Acting (Minor in Comedy Writing and Performance)

SEPTEMBER 2015 - MAY 2019 SUMMA CUM LAUDE

## WORKS

**2025- *Das Rauschgift*** - Devised Theatre Performance

- Co-writer and performer with Das Besties (Travis Amiel & Cosimo Pori) and Arzu Salman

**2023/2024- *En Parábola/ Conversations on Tragedy Part I*** - Multi Channel Video Installation

- A film in 3 channels, opened at Amant on March 14, 2024
- Co-writer and performer, d. Natalia Lasalle Morillo

**2023- *Season 1, Gro Up*** - Web Series

- Co-writer

**2022- *Gro Up, "What's a Chive?"*** - Web Series Pilot

- Co-writer/Director of 15 minute web series dark comedy pilot about formerly incarcerated teens
- Streaming on Kweli TV

**2021- *And That's the News*** - Short Experimental Animated Film

- Creator/Animator/Vocals of short film about flooding in NYC

**2019- *Brujita*** - Pilot Script

- 30 minute original comedy pilot about a Puerto Rican witch
- Writer/creator

**2016-2019- *Flawed Comedy*** - Live and Video Sketch Writing

- Emerson College, founder and chair for comedy group for women of color

**2018-Te Amo, Puerto Rico: A Love Letter to the Island Post Maria** - Solo Performance

- Wrote/directed/performed 12 minute solo performance based on interviews with Hurricane Maria evacuees

### **IN PROGRESS**

**Rat King or a Rodent's Funeral** - Short Film/Video Installation

- Video installation art surrounding the topic of funeral rituals and loss
- Writer and director

**En Parábola/ Conversations on Tragedy Part II** - Devised Theatre Performance

- Performance in 2027
- Co-writer and performer, d. Natalia Lasalle Morillo

### **AWARDS/FELLOWSHIPS/RESIDENCIES**

**2025- Watermill Center Residency in Ensemble of Natalia Lasalle Morillo**

**2022- Reel Sisters of the Diaspora Micro Budget Film Fellowship**

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**2022- Reel Sisters of the Diaspora, Official Selection for *Gro Up*, "What's a Chive?"**

**2022- Pan African Film and Arts Festival, Official Selection for *Gro Up*, "What's a Chive?"**

**2022- Martha's Vineyard Virtual Film Festival, Official Selection for *Gro Up*, "What's a Chive?"**

## **THEATRE RESUME**

### **PROFESSIONAL THEATRE EXPERIENCE** (\*denotes workshop) (\*\*denotes Zoom reading)

All The Men Who've Frightened Me*	Stage Directions	La Jolla Playhouse	d. Kat Yen
Her Math Play**	Stage Directions	Hartford Stage	d. M. Bevin O'Gara
So Um Thank You*	Yoga Student	Playwrights Horizons	d. Kip Fagan
Taiga in the Berkshires	Ensemble	Williamstown Theatre Festival	d. Lee Overtree
Lost and Found	Art Lover	Williamstown Theatre Festival	d. Zoë Golub-Sass
Twelfth Night	Olivia/Andrew	Boston Shakespeare Project	d. Betsy Goldman

### **COLLEGE THEATRE EXPERIENCE**

What Remains Hidden (Is Still Known)	Ensemble	Emerson Stage	d. Rinde Eckert
Flora and Ulysses	Phyllis Buckman	Emerson Stage	d. Joe Antoun
Tiny Houses	Yevhenia/Sandrine	Emerson Stage	d. Kip Fagan
Marisol	Marisol	Emerson Shakespeare Society	d. Penélope de la Rosa
The House of Bernarda Alba	Maria Josefa	Emerson Stage	d. Damon Krometis

### **AFFILIATIONS**

American Repertory Theater	Community Engagement Intern	Summer 2019	Cambridge, MA
Flawed Comedy	Founder/Former Chair	2016-2019	Emerson College
Williamstown Theatre Festival	Acting Apprentice	Summer 2018	Williamstown, MA