START A CONVERSATION WITH GREEN THUMB THEATRE

Green Thumb Theatre creates and produces plays that explore social issues relevant to the lives of children, youth, and young adults. We provide theatre that celebrates the language and stories of today's generation and culture to stimulate empathy, debate, and critical thinking.

"As someone who works with youth in a relationship violence prevention program in the high schools, I found this script to be very on point with the subtleties that occur in the early stages of unhealthy relationships, as well as how it can develop quite quickly into something serious. I wholeheartedly support this!"

– Debbie Scallion, RTC, RHN - Coordinator and Facilitator of the Respectful Relationships Program through the Quesnel Women's Resource Centre



A FORCE WITHIN THE FIELD OF THEATRE FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES

"Green Thumb is one very powerful medium that teachers have used be able to discuss issues such as addictions, gambling, street racing, and or bullying, in a non-threatening way with their students. The plays are very mindful and thought-provoking and help to be able to facilitate necessary discussions and give children/young adults the language around difficult issues."

– Family Counsellor, Family Services of Greater Vancouver

BOOK BY JUNE 30: GET 10% OFF BOOKINGS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR!

HOW TO BOOK

CONTACT GREEN THUMB THEATRE FOR MORE INFO

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Green Thumb's offices are located on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sḵwx̱wú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətaɁɬ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

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CAGED

BY RACHEL ABERLE

How do you navigate a relationship when you don't even know what a healthy one looks like? Can a friendship survive the tension between love and control?

After a summer apart, two teenage friends reunite in their secret spot in a local park—a refuge for shared memories and trust. Everything shifts when one of them arrives with a new boyfriend whose charm gradually gives way to controlling behaviour. As red flags surface, the pull of a new relationship begins to strain the bond between the two friends, forcing them into a difficult dilemma.

Designed to spark frank conversation about healthy relationships and boundaries, CAGED is a compelling and compassionate exploration of friendship, abuse prevention, and self-worth.

SHOWS PERFORMED AT YOUR SCHOOL!

Curriculum Connections

Communication, Personal Awareness and Responsibility, Social Awareness and Responsibility, Critical Thinking and Reflective Thinking

Themes

Navigating Friendships, Abuse Prevention, Online Influence, First Romantic Relationships

Recommended for Grades 8+

GREEN THUMB THEATRE

2026 AWARDS FOR CAGED

Playwrights Guild of Canada 2026 Tom Hendry Awards
Theatre for Young Audiences - WINNER

2026 Jessie Awards NOMINEE (Nov 23)
Outstanding Production
Outstanding Performance x2
Outstanding Design
Significant Artistic Achievement
(Content relevancy for youth audiences)

REVIEWS FROM SASKATCHEWAN HIGH SCHOOLS

"Great value for the content of the presentation"

"The performance was a realistic example for the students, which the staff can use a means to start safe and positive conversations about mental health"

"Staff will use as basis for in-class learning"

"Students related extremely well to the performance"

"Tough topics to talk about, and this play made the topic accessible and real and took away the awkwardness around talking about it"

"Always great, always professional"

"The topic for the play was perfect for the youth of today. The play was very poignant for the student of our high school. Our students were engaged in the play for the entire duration"

TOURING HISTORY WITH OSAC

Shape of a Girl - 2025
Celestial Being - 2016
Still/Falling - 2016
Wired - 2010
Cranked - 2009
The Skinny Lie - 2007
Shape of a Girl - 2005