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Rockefeller And I
Part 1
A Site Specific Performance

Outside building from 5:30–6:30PM
66 East 4th Street, NYC, 10003
May 25, 27, & 28, 2022
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Performance by
Uwe Mengel & John Maria Gutierrez

Directed by
Uwe Mengel

Performed by
John Maria Gutierrez

Production Manager
Sarah Rae Murphy

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***The performance will be performed in loop between 5:30 to 6:30pm.***
**Rockefeller And I - Part 1** is a solo performance in which John R. Maria Gutierrez, son of a low income, sometimes no-income, Dominican immigrant family confronts his life experience with another John, John D. Rockefeller Jr. and his 10 personal commandments on how to live your life.

**Rockefeller And I** will be the second time Uwe Mengel creates a performance specifically designed for the sidewalk in front of La MaMa. In May 2019, he created on the sidewalk the participatory performance *Everyday Murder*.

**John Maria Gutierrez** is a multidisciplinary actor, mover, maker, and educator originally from Washington Heights, NY also known as “Little Dominican Republic”. As the first person in his family born in the US, John is carving out and balancing their own identity within their family, cultural history, and artistic expression.

Recent credits. 1001, Focus Features/Warner Bros., *Law & Order: SVU*, NBC Universal, New York Live Arts 2021 Fresh Tracks Artist, La MaMa 2020 Artist In Residence.

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**Uwe Mengel** began writing and directing interactive cross-media projects in East Germany, among them the performance Association for the dissemination of the notion that the earth is flat, which was banned after the first showing.

After his escape from East Germany he created his unique participatory performances at many Theater Festivals, including Melbourne, Australia; Zuerich, Switzerland; Berlin, Germany; San Antonio, Texas. For German radio and TV he has written and directed award winning radio plays, as well as TV documentaries.

More info: www.umengel.com

**Sarah Rae Murphy** is a theater designer and technician who has been working in downtown NYC theater since 2002. She graduated from Montclair State University with a BA in Theater Production and Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland with a Masters of Philosophy in Theater.

Favorite credits include running nearly every show in The Club at La MaMa from 2009-2016, stage managing Joseph Keckler's *I am and Opera*, lighting design for Dane Terry's *Bird in the House*, and working closely with artists such as Uwe Mengel, Reggie Watts, Andi Stover, Belarus Free Theater, Nicky Paraiso, and Dan Fishback.
A full program with information on this production can be found on the
*Rockefeller And I
Part 1*
page of the La MaMa website.

In addition you can scan the QR code Poster located in the theatre lobby for access to the digital program.
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