

LITQUAKE

***Bastard Out of Carolina* Marathon Reading**

Sunday, October 12th 9:00am - 9:00pm

COVENANT OF CARE - Audience

We live in a society built on the fallout of male violence. We, the voices in the room, are the people trying to solve the problem. The theatre companies who have engaged to tell this story are doing so in the full understanding of how hard this reality is to hear aloud; please know that their work is made in a spirit of respect and compassion for those afflicted. We acknowledge and give space for how triggering this work might be-- we seek never to perpetuate the harm, but to console and grieve with you, the survivors and witnesses.

Content Warning

The following event contains content that may be disturbing or upsetting including:

- Severe and graphic child abuse, both physical and sexual
- Domestic abuse
- Racism and racist language
- Alcoholism
- Misogyny
- Death and grief

To be part of the solution please take these guidelines seriously

1. Please refrain from conversation in the main space to avoid disruption.
2. Engage in proper consent practices when interacting with other patrons, volunteers and readers. Consent means pausing and sincerely asking for permission before taking action, especially when physical touch is involved. It also means accepting someone's "no" without pressuring or trying to convince them otherwise.

ex: a patron with mobility needs is struggling with navigating the event space. Ask if you may assist them before doing so.

ex: someone shares a piece of personal information that moves you and you would like to tell a friend. Ask the person who shared it for permission first.

3. We want to take care of you. You are welcome to step in and out of the space at any point for any reason. If you need assistance, please flag one of the Litquake volunteers wearing branded t-shirts.
4. We can not guarantee seating. If you leave the space, please bring your belongings with you to ensure others can have the opportunity to sit down.
5. Audience members may bring in food and/or drinks, provided everyone leaves the space exactly as they found it (i.e. nothing messy or disruptive to consume). Litquake staff reserves the right to remove anyone eating or drinking in a manner that disrupts the performance, at the staff member's discretion.
6. If you have any accessibility needs, please chat with a staff member so we can support you.
7. **On handling Fleet Week plane disruptions:** Readers may take a pause as-needed when the noise of a machine of violence flies overhead. Take a deep breath, or shake your fist towards the sky, or both.
8. **Domestic Duties for the Men Folk** - if you identify as male, we invite you to participate in the event, through any of the non-verbal actions and activities set up at the Domestic Duties stations along the periphery of the space. Find a recipe card with an assignment on it, and follow the instructions for the chapter that's being read.