

TRUE STORY...

Sunday, February 2, 2025:

GROUNDHOG DAY

LIZZY ROSS is an actor, writer, graphic artist, and sled dog wrangler. She's the founder and producer of the True Story program and also your host for this evening. She's very thank-ful you're here. If you'd like to know anything else please visit lizzyross.com.

JACQUELINE CASTAÑEDA is an artist and filmmaker. Jacqueline's scrappy, East LA underdog attitude is present in her vibrant stage directions, colorful dialogue and astonishing female leads. Jacqueline has written, produced, and starred in several shorts at Venture Works Film, receiving official selections at the LA Comedy Film Fest and LA Latinx Film Fest, among others. Their film Blank Canvas (which she co-wrote, co-directed, and starred in) screened at the South-Central Film Festival and won awards at the Towne Street Theatre Film Festival. Her work touches on honoring women of color past and present, navigating the LA art scene as an artist of color, and finding balance and self acceptance. She affirms art is essential to promote a sense of growth, community, and activism. Keep up with her on Instagram, @post_moderngirl @ventureworks_film.

GORDON HENDERSON is a Los Angeles based artist and radio announcer. He makes a yearly art calendar called the Nib Geebles calendar.

DEVORA DAVIS is a USAF Veteran who has worked on short and feature films, tributes and promos, mainly in the documentary arena.

NICHOLAS CORMIER III is a United States Air Force Veteran. Spent several years as an Air Traffic Controller. Graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington—studied Art with a concentration in Film and a minor in Theatre. MBA from Texas State University. Actor. Writer. Director. Nicholas advocates for mentally ill veterans, including those with substance abuse issues, living on the streets of Los Angeles. USC Warrior Bard. Nicholas' short story "D-pod" is First and Only Runner Up for Solstice Literary Magazine's 2023 Annual Fiction Prize. Nicholas' story "Tolstoy Soldiers" was officially selected for WORDTheatre's world-wide Veteran's Day event in 2021. He performed work alongside some of the world's greatest actors in 2022 for Cedering Fox's WORDTheatre. Nicholas' short story "Salome" is nominated for 2023 Best of the Net. His short story "Noose" recently won 2nd Place for Creative Writing in the 2022 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival.

ANTHONY GARCIA is a native of Culver City, Anthony Lorenzo Garcia is a devoted actor, writer, and producer for stage and film. Most recently, he appeared as Satan in Stephen Adly Gurguis's *The Last Days of Judas Iscariot* at the Hollywood Fringe Festival 2024.

NEXT UP:

March 2, 2025

with the theme: **BABY STEPS**

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