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LAMB OF GOD HOTEL

Written and Directed by KAREN FINLEY

Wednesday, April 22 - Sunday, May 3, 1992

Wednesdays - Sundays, 8:30pm each night

Tickets: \$15, Members \$10

The Kitchen is proud to present the world premier of *Lamb of God Hotel*, a new play by Karen Finley. A dark comedy with four characters, *Lamb of God Hotel* employs themes found in Finley's solo work — personal suffering, social ostracism, sexual abuse, and AIDS politics — and explores these themes in a biting series of surreal, humorous, and unsettling scenes set within a rundown SRO hotel.

Lamb of God Hotel is written and directed by Karen Finley. The play stars Helen Schumacher, Hapi Phace, Andy Soma, and Amy Elliot.

Karen Finley is a performance artist, writer, and visual artist whose work has been performed at The Kitchen, Lincoln Center, the Walker Art Center, LACE, and numerous other galleries, and performance spaces around the world. Her last play, *Theory of Total Blame*, enjoyed a successful run at The Kitchen and at LACE in 1988. Her book, *Shock Treatment*, was published by City Lights, and her visual installation, *Memento Mori* appeared at The Kitchen in January.

Helen Schumacher is an actress best known for her work in the one woman show, *Mona Rogers in Person* by Philip Dimitiri-Galás. Hapi Phace is well known to New York's downtown art scene for his solo performances, his acts at the Pyramid Cocktail Lounge, and his role in video works by such directors as Charles Atlas and Tom Rubnitz. Andy Soma is a Chicago based performance artist who has created numerous solo works and who previously appeared with Karen Finley in her *A Suggestion of Madness*. Amy Elliot is an actress who has performed her own work in Los Angeles and San Francisco and has also worked extensively performing psychodrama and drama therapy with abused children.

An Evening with KAREN FINLEY

Tuesday April 28, 1992

Tickets: \$30, \$55

The Kitchen is pleased to present an evening reading by Karen Finley of her upcoming solo work. This single-night event represents the first public performance of Ms. Finley's newest piece and offers a fascinating glimpse into her working process. The reading will be followed by an intimate reception. This special evening will benefit The Kitchen.

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