

# AFTER THE DARK

(Dopo il buio)

One-act play by Marco Calvani

“I can’t go on. I will go on.”

(*Samuel Beckett*)

Characters:

SUSIE, 62

JESSIE, 26

Plot:

Susanna, a designer and consolidated entrepreneur, is on a business trip with Jessica, her young and negligent assistant. It is late, they are at their hotel, and after a few drinks they turn to finalizing the last preparations for the trade fair the next day, which Susanna hopes will boost her company’s sales. Jessica, however, has other plans for the evening. In a cruel game, the two women will find themselves forced to reveal their own fragile points, but above all their true intentions.

Before the sun rises once more.

Production history:

Preview: 15 July 2016, Sala Beckett Barcelona, Grec Festival.

Directed by Marta Buchaca. With Muntsa Alcañiz and Mimi Riera.

Translated into Catalan by Marina Espasa.

First performance: 19 January 2017, La MaMa Theatre, New York.

Directed by Marta Buchaca. With Margaret Colin and Gabby Beans.

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