

TE LO LEGGO NEGLI OCCHI!

Full length play in one act by Marco Calvani

“I love life
because it gives me strength
every time that it takes it away.”

(Anonymous)

Characters:

CARMEN

IVANA

LUCA

LENA

THE MOTHER (must be played by the same actress who plays IVANA)

Plot and author's note:

Rome, today. Carmen, a former porn actress and former drug addict in her thirties, has just finished shooting her first feature film with the director of the moment. She shares the small apartment where she lives with her young homosexual sister Ivana, who just ran away from home in search of her own sexual freedom alongside with Lena, a rich woman and cocaine addict.

It's the last day of the shooting and Carmen comes back home exhausted and happy to be alone for a few hours. But somebody knocks at the door and then enters by force: Luca, a young man who kidnaps Carmen until she will fall in love with him. An apartment in the heart of Rome for a night turns into a bunker. A black comedy, witty and bad, on the human desperate need for love and the foolish attempt to be happy anyway.

Production history:

First performance: 26 November 2003, Teatro dell'Orologio, Rome. Directed by Alberto Alemanno.

With Letizia Letza, Marco Calvani, Elisa Alessandro and Maria Grazia Grilli.

The play is inspired by the movie "Atamel" (Spain, 1990) written and directed by Pedro Almodovar.

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