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Title of your research project.

SANITIZE THIS!

Description of research. Please provide a few sentences that explain the question and the methods employed in this research project.

SANITIZE THIS! is a short , romantic situational comedy filmed during the Covid pandemic. I was the Screenwriter, Producer, and Actress

This film follows the protagonist, Cathy, as she tries to date during a global pandemic. She is hyper neurotic about wearing her mask and gloves while the guy she dates is ultra laidback and the comedy ensues as she tries to navigate this.

Did this project include Penn State students as researchers?

No

If yes to the above question, please state where it was published.

Yes SANITIZE THIS! Has appeared in over 30 festivals worldwide. Quirks is in the process of getting shot.

What problem do you address with your research?

To offer humor during very difficult times such as a global pandemic or a politically divided society. I incorporate age, religion, diversity, equity, inclusion, politics, and sexual orientation into my writing.