

Mildew by Jeremy Wilson (July 2016)

Cast: a human couple, living together and sexually involved, age proximate and under 50

Location: a bathroom, demonstrated possibly through a “hanging shower curtain” of four humans, arms linked, standing on four chairs, arranged 3x1, and a “stack of towels on a stool”

Lights up.

First is looking at the curtain, pokes at it, responses to the pungency

First (to off-stage): Have you noticed this smell?

Second (off-stage): Yeah. It's been raining, a lot.

First: Yeah, and...

Second (enters, smelling the air): It's mildew.

First: I think it might be black mold.

Second: It's not black mold. Where is it black?

First: You don't have to see it to know it's there, do you?

Second: Yeah, it looks black. That's why they call it black mold.

First: I don't know. It's just...

Second: ...So humid?

First: It's just...

Second: Sticky? I'll wash these towels again. (Goes in to hug First, picks up towels, leaves)

First: It's just...I can't breathe in here.

Lights down slowly.