

SYNOPSIS

Turnover: A New Leaf is a plant-based musical about how two business-owning families, who are rooted in prejudice, overturn their views when their queer kids start rooting for one another.

Set in Dirty City, Malus Crabapple is the owner of FigLeaf nightclub who sees immigrants as invasive. The neighboring salon called Salontro is run by Rau Răm, a Green Card holder who teaches her natural-born citizen son Parsley that queerness is unnatural. When Pyrus visits town to spend the summer with their uncle Malus, Parsley befriends Pyrus and starts showing his queer self (his mother's transgression).

Adapting botany into an intimate family drama, astronomersongwriter David Quang Pham plants coming-of-age themes in *Turnover: A New Leaf* with family dynamics, performative activism, body image, and the duality between nature versus nurture.