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A YEAR OF QUOTES AND COMMENT **APRIL 2011 – MARCH 2012**







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Foreword

BY KERRY MICHAEL : ARTISTIC DIRECTOR OF THEATRE ROYAL STRATFORD EAST

KERRY MICHAEL ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE





In April 2011 we become the first UK theatre to introduce Facebook ticketing, where audiences can now purchase tickets to our shows without ever leaving Facebook. It's all part of our online presence and what we are now calling our 'third space' (first there was our stage, then our cabaret bar), where you can interact with us through a variety of digital media.

And we also launched our Tweet Zone, a special area of the theatre designated for those who wish to engage with the show via Twitter during a performance. We began hosting Bloggers' Previews, in addition to our traditional Press Nights. We want to encourage a dialogue about our shows from as wide a group as possible - blogs and other online media are a really good way of doing this.

The positive reaction to these ideas has encouraged us to continue our exciting programme of digital engagement. Our brand new web site channel - with behind-the-scenes multimedia content is a space for sharing videos and lots of

opportunities to have your say. We hope this will become a real gathering-place; somewhere for our audience to chat, to share opinions, debate and argue. To be inspired and to inspire us.

We envisaged our online presence as an extension of that old, beautiful building: somewhere people can go and in their own way, join in.

So all in all it's another stab at us trying to be as welcoming and accessible as possible, because we believe the more we can democratise the work we do, the more scrutiny the work has to go under and that means the better the work has to be. And that's really exciting.

KERRY MICHAEL

Artistic Director

'There is something extraordinary about sitting in a theatre with an audience who are completely invested with what is going on stage and where it feels as if a real dialogue is taking place between the stage and auditorium. One of the reasons I love going to the Theatre Royal Stratford East is because the audience often treat the characters on stage as if they are



personally known to them and will happily provide running commentaries and even helpful life advice.'

LYN GARDNER, THE GUARDIAN

This year has been another extraordinary year for Theatre Royal Stratford East - reaching new box office records and another Olivier Award.

In the build up to London 2012, the communities of East London face huge change with both challenges and opportunities in abundance. Our proximity to the Olympic Park places a heightened importance on Theatre Royal Stratford East's ability to bring people together. Over the last 60 years, Theatre Royal Stratford East had prided itself in its connection with people and communities too often under-represented on stages and in audiences around the country. This is what makes Theatre Royal Stratford East so special and why its work is so valuable at this time.

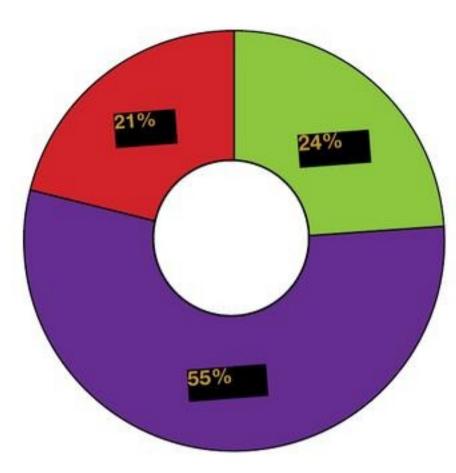
Maintaining this focus on new voices and new audiences is inspiring but also demanding. I would like to thank Paul O'Leary for his two years as Chair. I would like to thank all of our supporters - especially Arts Council England and London Borough of Newham - without whom this work would not be possible. But as we step up our work to maintain excellence in times of change, we need to expand our sources of financial support by raising an additional £440,000 each year from Trusts and Foundations, companies and individuals. If you think you can help, please talk to us in the knowledge that your support can make a very big difference.

Theatre Royal Stratford East has established itself as the 'People's Theatre' and today that reputation continues to be earned through the inspirational leadership of Kerry Michael and Mary Caws together with their hard working team. Their ambition and courage in always pushing boundaries is what makes Theatre Royal Stratford East a force to be reckoned with. Congratulations on an outstanding year!

CAROL LAKE

Chair





INCOME 2011/12

EARNED INCOME	24%	
FUNDRAISING INCOME	21%	
CORE FUNDING	55%	

Commitment + Investment = Success

As a nationally and internationally important theatre rooted strongly in its community, Theatre Royal Stratford East makes a positive contribution to many people's lives.

From Joan Littlewood's Oh, What a Lovely War in 1963 to our Olivier Award winning production of Roadkill, Theatre Royal Stratford East is committed to producing new work that connects with the rich talent and diversity of its local community – and to making a key contribution to the development of a vibrant and relevant theatre sector, reflecting and celebrating the increasing cultural diversity of contemporary British life.

In recognition of the important and groundbreaking work we do, we are one of the Arts Council England's National Portfolio and we receive support from the London Borough of Newham.

We are immensely grateful to our funders and their support is crucial to our work. However, together with our box office and other earned income this still only covers 79% of our annual

expenditure, so every year we need to raise at least an additional £440,000.

This is a real challenge for us. Unlike many of our peers, we do not have a long tradition of philanthropic and corporate support. We have only just begun to establish the kind of donor and sponsorship programmes most other theatres have had for many years and we need to grow this area of funding.

'2012 Olivier Winner – Laurence Olivier award for 'oustanding achievement by an affiliate, theatre.' see page 25.

So it is early days on this – but we are very encouraged by the wonderful support we have received to date and we would like to say a big Thank You to the individuals, trusts and companies who have come on board so far.

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Name a Seat

We have a Theatre naming scheme where seats (and other parts of the Theatre) can be named – a plaque with the donor's chosen inscription is displayed on the seat. **From £500**

Vision Collective

This is a collective of visionary individuals whose annual contributions help ensure the future artistic development of the Theatre. Members' benefits include an annual private reception,

a regular newsletter and invitations to briefings and performances.

£250 - £1,000 per annum

Young People's Work

Contributors to our work with young people passionately believe in the transforming power of the arts, and drama in particular. Every year hundreds of young people begin their artistic journey with us. Our work on-site and out in the community develops their creative skills and enables them to

explore the challenges they face, share their stories and uncover hidden talent and artists of the future.

From £3,000 - £50,000

New Voices Fund

This Fund is supported by writers and others for whom the word is key. The Fund underpins our commitment to new writing: allowing writers and artists to develop in a supportive environment over a period of time, creating contemporary new work that is inspiring and exciting.

Donors have the opportunity to meet with the artists, sit in on workshops and sharings of work-in-progress and celebrate at premieres of new work.

From £3,000 – £50,000

Production Sponsorship and Supporter Syndicates

This is open to companies and individuals. Corporate sponsors enjoy nights out with clients, staff and advertising and branding opportunities, as well as demonstrating their commitment to corporate social responsibility. Individuals can join small syndicates, catching private glimpses of the creative process as we bring the work to life from page to stage.

Green Room Club

This is an annual membership scheme for businesses. It is great fun and benefits include advertising, branding, business-2-business networking, hospitality, complimentary tickets and staff discounts.

£250 - £1,000 + vat per annum

Leave a Legacy to the Joan Littlewood Fund

By leaving us a gift in your Will, you are ensuring that future generations will continue to enjoy the magic of Theatre Royal.

For further information on Sponsorships, Donations, Memberships and Legacies, please contact Emma Joy-Staines on 020 8279 1138 or ejoystaines@stratfordeast.com

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'I defy you, whatever your age or rhythmic persuasion, to go to this 'ad-rap-tation' of 'Much Ado About Nothing' and not come out without a gigantic grin on your face.' TIME OUT ****

(Edinburgh run)

'A winning formula.'
EVENING STANDARD * * * *

'Shakespeare was a fan of words, wit and sex and 'Funk It Up About Nothin' has all of these things in riotous abundance.'

THE PUBLIC REVIEWS * * * *

'Performed with more zest than a casement of lemons.'

THE GUARDIAN

'Energetic and energising, I can't fault it.'

A YOUNGER THEATRE

'intelligent and insightful... all the actors are outstanding without exception.'

THE STAGE

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'I think this is one of the most important pieces of work that I have seen at the Theatre Royal in all of my years of being in the audience, and certainly one of the most powerful pieces of theatre that I think I have ever witnessed.'

CHARLOTTE (LOCAL RESIDENT)

'You'd have to have a heart of stone to leave the stage after the performance not feeling profoundly influenced by the experience of watching Mad Blud unfold – I took in a very deep breath of cold air and had a very stiff drink afterwards to steady myself... a real tour de force by a group of very talented young actors... highly recommended. ' THE LONDONEER (by Blogger Pete Stean)

- '... what makes Mad Blud so extraordinary is that it shows how deeply embedded the Theatre Royal is within its community. Everything felt so real and direct. It was very moving to watch the play with people who had direct connections to it. I've lived in Stratford for about 15 years and have come to dread the news of another stabbing... This is what theatre should be about, I think, and I feel a lot of love for the Theatre Royal for taking on this work."
 CHARLOTTE (Local Resident)
- '... extremely moving and informative. This unique and compelling way of showing the worrying knife crime rate in the UK had me engrossed from the very beginning to the very end... not to be missed.'
 EZINNE (Student)

'Really great workshop – informative, useful and full of passion. I am going away feeling empowered and excited and with lots of ideas about how I can use Verbatim with the young people I work with. Thank you!' ALISON (Youth Worker – on Verbatim Technique training workshop) 'I had an amazing time at the Mad Blud workshop! I learnt so much. I feel its a great opportunity for people that Stratford Theatre Royal are taking time out to put on workshops.'

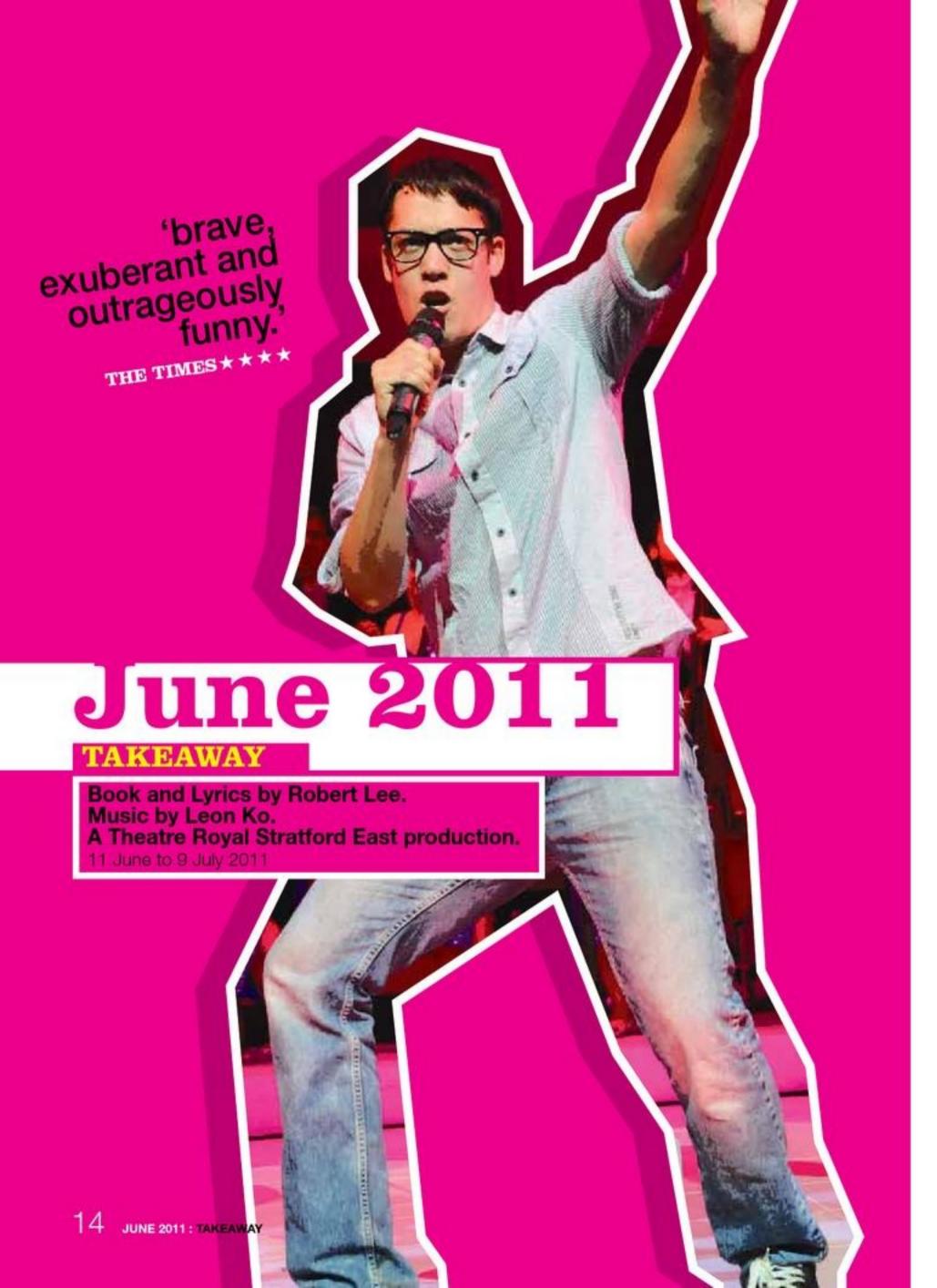
EDITH (Youth Worker - on Verbatim Technique training workshop)

MAD BLUD is supported by

J.P.Morgan

J.P. Morgan is supporting the Mad Blud project in a ground-breaking partnership with Theatre Royal Stratford East. The investment has enabled Theatre Royal Stratford East to extend and deepen their exploration of the issues around knife culture, particularly in the East End of London and to take the debate out to a wider audience. J. P. Morgan is proud to support projects that give a voice to the concerns and challenges facing our young people today.

www.stratfordeast.com MAY 2011: MAD BLUD: A LONDON STORY 13







'This is a sassy, scintillating show that both celebrates difference and reinforces a sense of common humanity. **Terrific fun.**'
THE TIMES

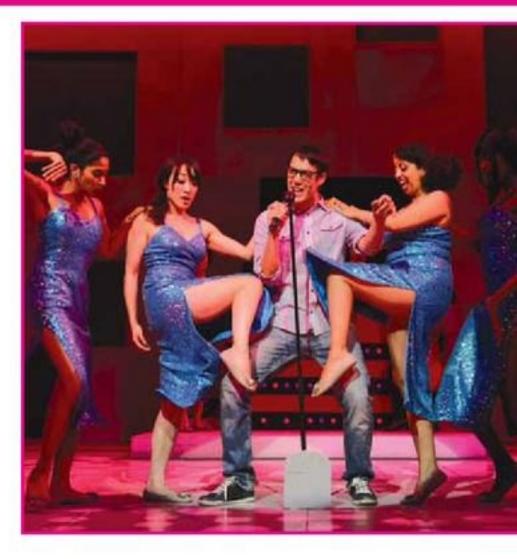
'side-splittingly funny...
I absolutely applaud it.'

'bold, catchy and shamelessly upbeat.'

LONDONIST

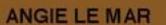
'all the high drama, energy and emotional ups and downs of a conventional West End musical.'

A YOUNGER THEATRE



www.stratfordeast.com June 2011 : TAKEAWAY 15

'I have been a big fan of Kat's work for years, a great writer and performer, extremely versatile and absolutely funny!'





July 2011

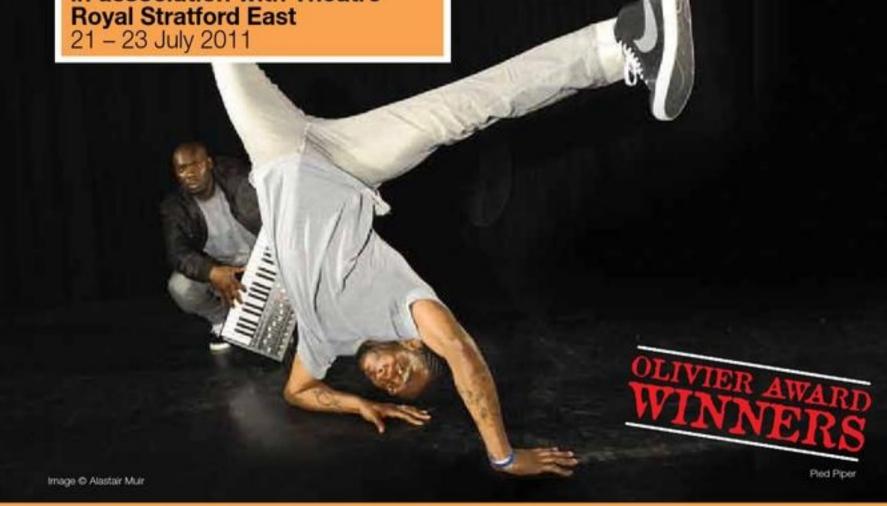
KAT'S GUT YOUR TUNGUE

Written and performed by Kat Francois Theatre Royal Stratford East in association with Zupakat productions 10 & 11 July 2011

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July 2011

Directed by Kenrick 'H2O' Sandy and Michael 'Mikey J' Asante Co- Produced by the Barbican in association with Theatre Royal Stratford East 21 – 23 July 2011



'Boy Blue Entertainment founders Mikey J and Kenrick Sandy were so close you could almost touch them... 'I do the dancing and he does the music' has been the same introduction Boy Blue founders Mikey J Asante and Kenrick Sandy have used to describe themselves to people in the briefest possible way...

After 10 years, an Olivier Award winning tour of Pied Piper and Mikey J producing music for highly acclaimed artists, it's rare to see Boy Blue's founders doing something on stage, together, somehow managing to set aside what little time they had to lab up a massive 16 (by our counts) acts.'

TOO MUCH FLAVOUR







'We work with about **3,500 young people a year** in schools, here at the Theatre and in youth centres. We aim to ignite their passion for theatre as a vehicle for their stories.'

JAN SHARKEY DODDS, HEAD OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

'I've been part of the Theatre Royal Stratford East family for about 4 years now. I've had some of the most amazing opportunities... I have participated in a number of projects such as 'State Of The Nation' which is a group of young people who use theatre to bring the community together; I've had a chance to use my song writing skills; I have performed at the Houses of Parliament; I sing in 'Stratford East Singers' the community choir; and now I'm about to perform my poetry on stage... and I'm loving it! Theatre Royal have been so supportive of my creative development and I'm glad to be part of the family.'

JACQUI

State of the Nation

'We arrived at around 3pm after going through security, getting our photos taken and getting our ID. As we warmed up, officials of the commonwealth went by and, we then saw UN AIDS Ambassador Annie Lennox OBE (!). We were ready to take on the world (quite literally)... Although the delegates spoke many different languages, came from diverse cultures and different continents, Stigma got all of them talking with each other. We were led through lavish rooms – I want to say 'bling'... basically the rooms were breathtaking, sounds corny I know but it's true.' MYRIAM, STATE OF THE NATION CREW MEMBER (on being invited to perform STIGMA at the Houses of Parliament)

Work Experience

'Thank you for having me!! I have had a great time and wish I could stay for longer. Everyone has been so kind and friendly! It's been nice to do something so different from school and having a bit more responsibility. Thanks again! (: 'JASMINE

'My Work Experience is different to school because: I wake up later. I have fun. I can wear what I like. I actually love my boss and working day. I hate school.'

ISSY

'I have just met with Ceylan who said she had a brilliant time on her work experience at Theatre Royal. I just wanted to say a big thank you to you and your team for looking after her and giving her such a fantastic opportunity. I know how busy you all must have been but Ceylan came away saying she learnt so much and had such an amazing time.'

TEACHER, WALTHAMSTOW GIRLS SCHOOL

Young Actors Company SUPPORTED BY



'When I started I thought whether anyone will understand where I come from (my life story) and if that will affect my ability to socialise in the group and I had nothing on my CV. Now it's got loads on it and some good names too.'

BJ, YOUNG ACTOR

'We loved the blonde girl in the chicken costume and would love to see some more of their work so keep us informed and would love to pop along again. Thanks for the invite.'

ELAINE, AGENT

'I'm more confident in my acting than I ever have been before.'
ZAINAB, YOUNG ACTOR

"Squid' (the play) went down a storm with the kids and the Drama Department!"

TEACHER, THE LISTER COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Word Olympics

A partnership with Lister Community School

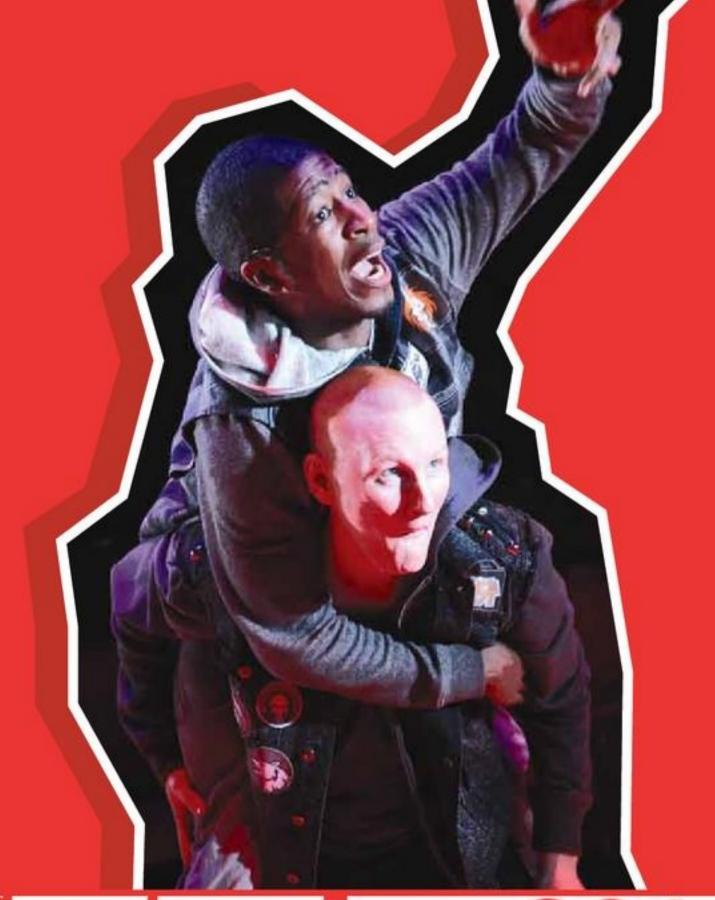
'We are so excited to see it (their story being performed), I think xxxxx is a bit overwhelmed and doesn't quite know what to expect! It's lovely to see him so proud. Thank you so much for our book of stories! We love it! All the children were thrilled to see their work bound, it really is very special for them, thank you.

TEACHER, PORTWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The visit was of real value; it highlighted how effective the theatre and associated projects can be as means of supporting young people from all backgrounds... particularly the stark reality of how much the theatre and its positive work relies on donations and self-earned revenue.'

STEPHANIE DRIVER (KEN LIVINGSTONE FOR LONDON)

www.stratfordeast.com AUGUST 2011 : YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK



September 2011

A CLOCKWORK ORANGE

A new adaptation with words by Ed DuRanté and music by Fred Carl.
Anthony Burgess' cult novel A Clockwork Orange is re-imagined on
the eve of its 50th anniversary.

A Theatre Royal Stratford East production.

3 Sept to 1 Oct 2011





'There's enough **ambition and risk-taking** here to make us feel that we're witnessing something truly original.'

WHAT'S ON STAGE

'a brilliantly original adaptation of a classic, definitely worth watching.' SOUL CULTURE

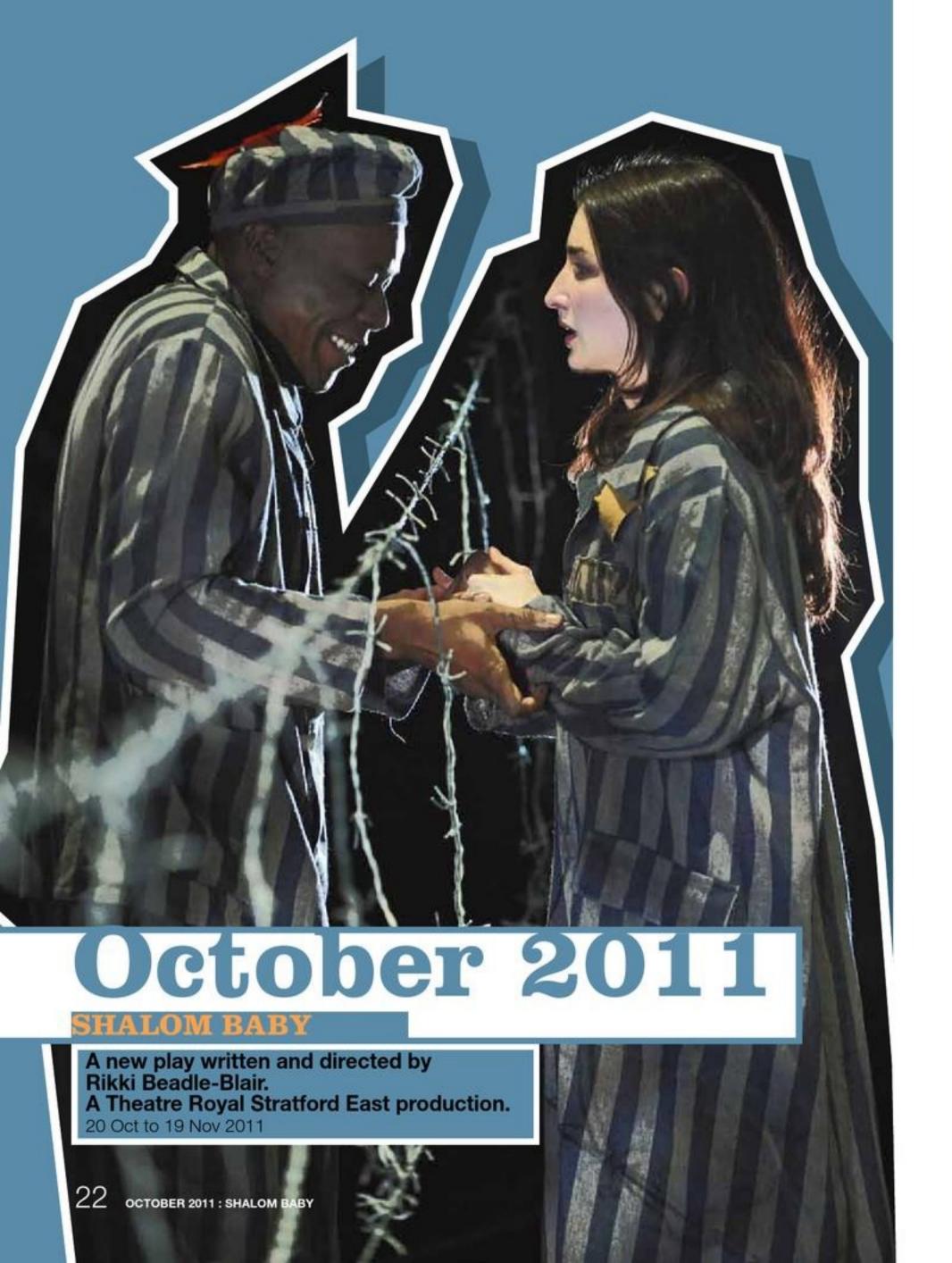
'expertly intertwined with outstanding performances... this play has made a timeless classic more relevant'

THE VOICE

"...to anyone that might shy away from the show simply because they're not a fan of the film, I would whole-heartedly advise that you get down to Stratford... too good to miss... this neon, modern update adds an offbeat rhythm and rhyme to a cult classic. Go, go go – right, right, right.' 'Ed DuRante's boxfresh script and Dawn Reid's direction play with language so much more generously and musically than the original, that the Stanley Kubrick 1971 movie pales by comparison'

THE LONDONIST

20 SEPTEMBER 2011 : A CLOCKWORK ORANGE SEPTEMBER 2011 : A CLOCKWORK ORANGE







'...wildly ambitious and entertaining...
I love the way the play is **stroppy and soppy,**bold and bashful all at the same time.'

THE GUARDIAN ***

- '... in turns haunting, sad, funny and, ultimately, uplifting.' THE STAGE
- '... wins you over against the odds because it's crammed with heart.'

SUNDAY TIMES CULTURE

'... great bursts of energy and invention, particularly when it comes to Beadle-Blair's thunderingly expressive rap monologues. It's a shame we don't see rap on stage more often.'

TIME OUT1111

JEWISH CHRONICLE * * * *

'Rikki Beadle-Blair has written a play that is both poetic, rhythmic and mesmerizing.'

'Shalom Baby is a well-written and brilliantly performed piece of theatre that challenges the audience from the beginning... a thoughtful, funny and powerful show worth seeing and supporting.'

'Beadle-Blair's own production and the sincerity of the performances ensure... it throbs with life.' BRITISH THEATRE GUIDE

'... a unique, dynamic, ultimately involving picture of love working its way through personal, social and political barriers.'
REVIEWSGATE "...an insightful exploration of prejudice in all its forms... an excellent play."

AFRIDIZIAK * * * *

STRATFORD EAST SINGERS REHEARSE FOR THE FIRST TIME



'I really enjoy the choir and singing many different genres of songs. The time, effort and support given by the Stratford East Singers team has been excellent. Team spirit and community cohesion have developed because of this and should remain!'

STRATFORD EAST SINGERS MEMBER

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November 2012

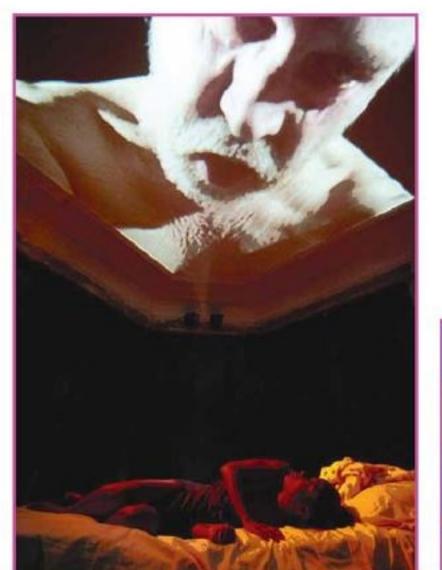
ROADKILL

Conceived and directed by Cora Bissett. Text by Stef Smith. Produced by Pachamama Productions and Richard Jordan Productions in association with the Traverse Theatre. London season presented by Theatre Royal Stratford East in association with the Barbican.

Roadkill was originally produced by Ankur Production and Pachamama Prodcutions in association with the Tron and Traverse Theatre. Roadkill is supported by Creative Scotland, Glasgow City Council, Scottish Refugee Council, Women's Fund for Scotland, Federation of Scottish Theatre, part of the Made in Scotland Programme funded by the Scottish Government's Edinburgh Festivals Expo Fund. The London season is supported by the London Borough of Newham.

28 Oct - 20 Nov 2011

NOVEME R 2011 : ROADKILL









'This is immersive theatre at its most powerful' FINANCIAL TIMES ***

'... brutal and compelling... The graceful Ojelade gives a performance of... shattering intensity.' EVENING STANDARD * * * * *

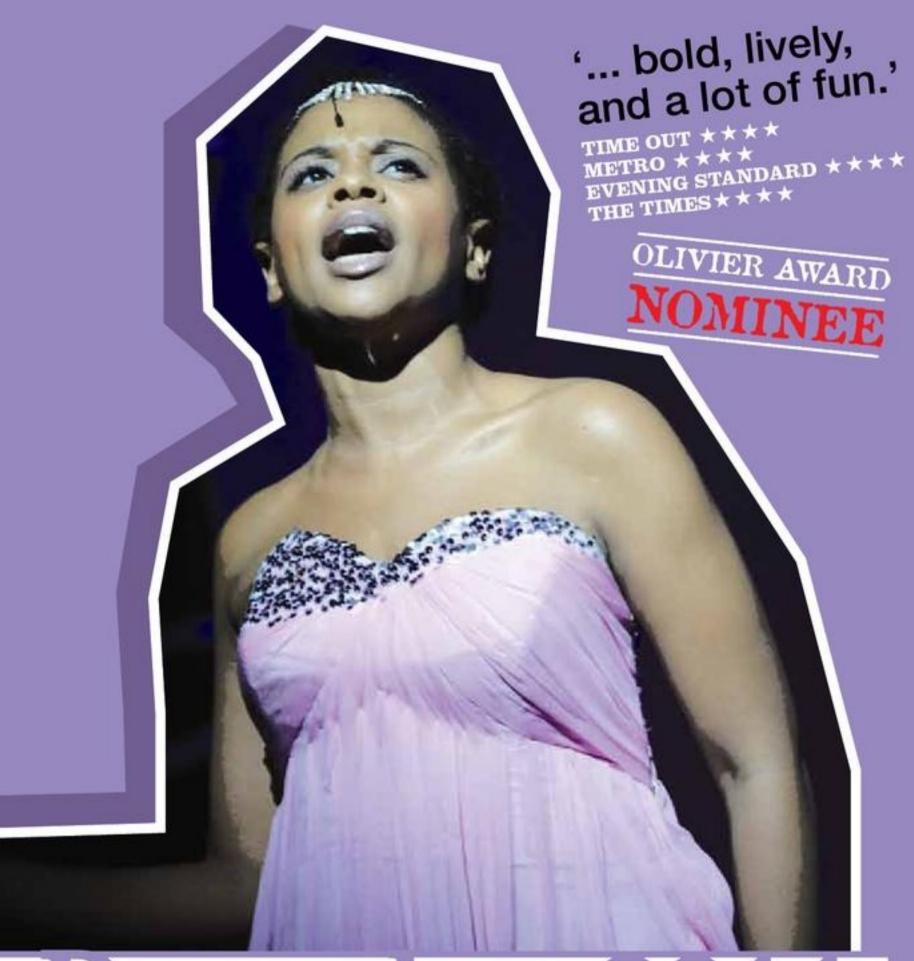
'The performances in this three-hander are exceptional... [Roadkill is] brilliant, sobering, frank, very moving...'

WHATSONSTAGE.COM ****



'Winner - Laurence Olivier award for

'oustanding achievement by an affiliate theatre.'



December 2011

CINIDERBLLA

By Trish Cooke and Robert Hyman. A Theatre Royal Stratford East production. 3 December 2011 to 21 January 2012





"...Theatre Royal Stratford East's beautifully detailed and enjoyably bonkers 'Cinderella' might just be the best in town.'

TIME OUT (Critics' choice) ★ ★ ★

"...a bold, big-hearted panto that knows how to keep its audience on side.'

METRO***

There is much to commend Trish Cooke and Robert Hyman's adaptation of the Cinderella tale as they bring it bang up to date in unique Stratford East style... Ayesha Antoine is a perfect Cinderella.

'...a sparky, modern and multicultural retelling... there are all manner of delightful touches.'

EVENING STANDARD * * * *

'These are three delightful dames whom you almost have to force yourself to boo BRITISH THEATRE GUIDE

'All in all I thought this was one of the best pantomimes I have seen in a while and would not hesitate in recommending it children of any age!... guarantee you will have a great night at the theatre with a laugh a minute.'

WEST END WENDY

"...all that a panto should be and more!'

BACKSTAGE PASS

'Theatre Royal Stratford East is fast becoming one of the UK's most innovative and interactive theatres... over the next two years the Theatre East plans to give control of the theatre's programme to the public.



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OPEN STAGE

Theatre Royal Stratford East January to July 2012







'I think it's important to support your local theatre if you're lucky enough to have one close by, and I feel very fortunate indeed to be just a hundred yards or so from the Theatre Royal Stratford East. As part of the ongoing 'Open Stage' experiment, where the theatre has determined its 2012 Spring and Summer schedule according to suggestions from the general public.'

THE LONDONEER

'The community here tends to change a lot so it is a really important way of the Theatre staying with its ethos and staying relevant. More than most theatres, it really affects the community around it. It makes an accessible avenue for people who otherwise might not be involved.'

DEBO AMON, VOLUNTEER

'Open Stage builds bridges between people, different parts of society and generations. Getting the local community involved has worked really well. For a lot of people theatre is alien. Open Stage builds a bridge for them. It's inclusive, and I've been a part of building that bridge. It's a really good project and I don't understand why no-one has done it before. It is such a simple idea, but I'm glad we thought of it first.' JACKLYN ADENLJI-WILLIAMS, VOLUNTEER

'We know more because of Open Stage, and it changes what you think about the Theatre. We have more to talk about and are more enthusiastic. When you get to know a place internally, it becomes personal, it's like going home because you know it inside out'.

MARCELLA KAIKAI, ANGELA AYEMOBA, RADHA VIRAHSAWMY, PATRICIA WILLIAMS SUE AH CHUNG, VOLUNTEERS

'Great entertainment really loved it! More please.' OPEN STAGE TAKEOVER, OPEN MIC AUDIENCE MEMBER

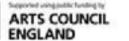
'I appreciate the diversity of the acts. Brilliant and reflects Newham as the diverse borough that it is. Fab!'

OPEN STAGE TAKEOVER. Open Mic audience member

Open Stage is supported by Paul Hamlyn Foundation, the National Lottery through Arts Council England and the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation









JANUARY 2012 : OPEN STAGE 29 www.stratfordeast.com







'The next generation of young spoken word artists and poets have worked with leading performance poet Kat Francois to produce two nights of lip-smacking, jaw-dropping, tonguetwisting poetry...'

JAN SHARKEY-DODDS (Head of Young People's Work)

'I really enjoyed the 'Poets' Platform'. I really found the poems inspiring and I loved the use of different levels and the use of physical movement. It made me want to write.'

DEMI (Young Volunteer)

'Two weeks into the process, the buzz of writing something that would have a guaranteed outlet to a live audience was pumping such adrenaline through my veins it made me think that if everyone wrote poetry... then drug dealers would be out of business.

A theatre is the safest place in the world. We can try anything we like without being judged, bringing out our true selves. It is not a classroom or an office where convention and rules must be followed. Suddenly something clicked. This was a chance to experiment, not alone with a sheet of paper, but with fellow writers, budding performers, directors and, most importantly, the audience.

On stage, in front of a full house, I felt connected to all my fellow performers and every single audience member, I had never felt so alive. By Saturday night the bond between us all was stronger. We had come together, mostly as complete strangers and created something in a short time that disturbed the audience one second then had them laughing the next. By Sunday morning I was constantly closing my eyes and thinking back to the security and safety I felt on stage, often void when interacting with people on a daily basis. It's funny, theatre... educational theorists and policy makers take note.'

NAFEES MAHMUD'S BLOG

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For the first part of this year, Theatre Royal Stratford East has been programmed by the local community as part of their Open Stage initiative. They ran a consultation, finding that people wanted new writing that reflected real people's lives. This resulted in ten rehearsed readings of new scripts presented by Rikki Beadle-Blair's Team Angelica, with the theatre planning to develop at least one into a full production. The diversity of voices and perspectives was striking and fresh – both in the plays and in the audience debates.

and fresh – both in the plays and in the audience debates they sparked, with scripts exploring such varied subjects as the dilemmas Black British women face in styling their hair, sibling relationships that disrespect personal boundaries, and the collision of homophobia and racism in a hospital waiting room (including a dazzling monologue about the sexuality of giant slugs!).'

JAMES HADLEY, ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

'Thank you so much! Extremely valuable and inspiring.'
WRITE HEAR WRITE NOW ATTENDEE

'It's reassuring to see Theatre Royal Stratford East out there exploring and pushing the boundaries.'
AUDIENCE MEMBER

'Great opportunity to see the work of up and coming writers.

AUDIENCE MEMBER

'Staff were fab. Angelic Tales is awesome!'
AUDIENCE MEMBER

'Very open space for writers of all stages of development.'

WRITE HEAR WRITE NOW ATTENDEE

'The play brought up themes that were controversial and relevant to society today. Poetic, touching and well thought out, it would be a shame not to develop it further.'

AUDIENCE MEMBER

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People

MAKING IT HAPPEN



ACTORS

Adam Berry (Angelic Tales -'It's All Relative

Adanna Oji (Angelic Tales -'Crowning Glory')

Ayesha Antoine (Angelic Tales -'Crowning Glory')

Adura Onashile ('Roadkill')

Ali Zaidi (Angelic Tales - 'Firefly) Alison Playford (Angelic Tales -

'Longhairman's Wife) Amina Zia (Angelic Tales -The Minam Gospel')

Anika Stefanovik (Angelic Tales -'Protect'er')

Ann Akin (Angelic Tales -'The Miriam Gospel')

Anna-Maria Nabirye ('Mad Blud')

Ashley Hunter ('A Clockwork Orange') Ashley Kumar (Angelic Tales -'FriendZone')

Ayesha Antoine ('Cinderella')

Becca Jones (Angelic Tales -'Crowning Glory')

Ben Fensome (Angelic Tales -The Minam Gospel')

Bradley Peter (Supernumerary,

Brigitte Millar (Angelic Tales - 'Firefly) Cary Crankson ('Mad Blud')

Catherine Ashton (Angelic Tales -'The Miriam Gospel')

Christie-Leigh Emby (Angelic Tales -'Love Reset')

Christina Gallon (Angelic Tales -'In the Act')

Craig Bynoe (Angelic Tales -

Craig Daniel Adams (Angelic Tales finam Gospel"

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