

Active Inquiry presents

DIVIDED WE FALL?

A Theatre Project in Leith creating a space to explore
Identity, Diversity and Integration



PROGRAMME

11th and 12th May 2013

Theatre. Dialogue. Action.

Background

This project began in August 2012 with Active Inquiry exploring the concepts of Identity, Diversity and Integration with the people of Leith. We discovered a community proud of their diversity but worried about the future and possible fragmentation as divisive policies from above begin to bite. We developed and toured a piece of Forum Theatre to various Leith venues in November/December 2012 which explored how diverse communities such as Leith could build interconnections and solidarity in these difficult economic times. We then invited audience members from these performances to come and work with us from January 2013 to develop their own pieces of Forum Theatre for this event.

The Quest

Forum Theatre performance

How we can mobilise diverse people in a community under pressure, especially to achieve goals that will benefit them all?

Bruncheon!

Food and Music

Out of the Blue café's monthly event combining yummy food with music from local artists. Performing this month will be, amongst others, Edinburgh's Got Soul and Wildfire Women's Community Choir.

Who Cares?

Forum Theatre performance

With more and more pressure heaped on them by cuts to public services, is it possible for voluntary organisations to develop a new way of working or will measurable targets and managerialism win the day?

Divided We Fall?

Forum Theatre Performance

Can Alice use the 500 year anniversary of Hillstone to bring her divided community together to fight for much-needed resources?

Jock Tamson's Bairns

Exhibition

A snapshot of multi-cultural Scotland with Italian, French, Polish, Ghanaian, Chinese, Pakistani, Russian, German and English stories.

World Kitchen in Leith

Share a Plate, Share a Story

World Kitchen in Leith is based on the simple idea that food is the best way to bring people together. The team will be cooking-up a great buffet of plates from around the world. Storytellers will be sharing stories about food and you are invited to bring along a dish and share food-inspired stories with your table!

Creating an Action Plan

Workshop

"The end of the theatre is just the beginning" Augusto Boal. How can we use the learning and knowledge from this event to put in place an Action Plan to take forward?

Hotel Europa

Forum Theatre Performance

Part of the TOgether European project bringing together Theatre of the Oppressed practitioners from all across Europe. This piece explores the effects of the European Crisis with an International cast from Italy, Germany, Croatia, Portugal, Spain, France and Leith!

Programme

Saturday 11th May

- 11.00** Coffee and Registration
- 11.15** Start
- 11.30** **The Quest**- *Performance*
- 12.30** Bruncheon!
- 14.15** **Who Cares?**- *Performance*
- 15.30** Break
- 16.00** **Divided We Fall?**- *Performance*
- 18.00** Social Time and discussion
- 19.00** Finish

Sunday 12th May

- 12.00** Coffee and Registration
- 12.30** **Jock Tamson's Bairns** and community exhibition launch
- 13.00** **Share a Plate, Share a Story**
- 14.30** Creating an Action Plan Workshop
- 16.30** Break
- 17.00** **Hotel Europa**- *Performance*
- 19.00** Finish

All performances will take place in the Rehearsal Studio.

All other events including food and exhibitions will be in the Main Hall.

Cast

The Quest

Barbara Wilkes, David Debois, Jenny Green, Kristina Diprose, Nick Cheales, Pinar Aksu, Sandra Rabbow, Sophie Barbarit and Suzanne Dance. Directed and Joked by Liz Strange

Who Cares?

Catie Lovers, Dave Poyner, Frances Hoole, Karen Toscani, Matthew Knights, Nancy Anderson and Tom Nelson. Directed and Joked by Emily Steedman

Divided We Fall?

Dave Poyner, Emily Steedman, Karen Toscani, Liz Strange, Nick Cheales, Pinar Aksu and Suzanne Dance. Directed and Joked by Gavin Crichton

Hotel Europa

Aleksander Bancic, Alessandro Tolomelli, Anabela Rodrigues, Antonio Masegosa, Bastien Hifen, Christoph Leucht, Claudia Simone, Filipa Simoes, Gavin Crichton, Giulia Allegrini, Marijana Persic and Till Baumann. Directed and Joked by Barbara Santos

Event Manager – Simon Hayes

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Active Inquiry

Founded in 2008, Active Inquiry is a Leith-based theatre company making theatre with and for the people of Leith. We promote increased participation in the arts as a catalyst for active involvement in society. We have worked with many different organisations and groups using Forum Theatre and other approaches to develop exciting work that challenges and promotes dialogue and action.

Flashback Drama

Our regular devising company will present its latest play Taking Care of Business during the Leith Festival from 13th-15th June at the Out of the Blue Drill Hall. Tickets are available through Out of the Blue box office www.outoftheblue.org.uk

Contact us

For further information on Active Inquiry please check the website www.activeinquiry.co.uk or contact us on gavin@activeinquiry.co.uk or **0771 4321 629**

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