#### ABOUT TAKING PART

Taking Part is the Young Vic's creative engagement department that works with young people, adults, schools, and our local community. We engage with over 15,000 people a year, providing free tickets to all our shows and free creative and artistic opportunities to our participants. Our three strands, Learning, Participation, and Neighbourhood Theatre, create work that is the beating heart of the organisation. Each year Taking Part's programme responds to a shared theme. Last year we explored 'Communities of Resistance', and this year we are responding to the provocation 'investing in our neighbourhoods'.

# HOW TO TAKE PART NEIGHBOURHOOD THEATRE

Neighbourhood Theatre is for adults 25 years and older that live in Lambeth and Southwark. To sign up please email **neighbourhoodtheatre@youngvic.org** with your name, home address, a contact phone number, and your date of birth. If you are unable to sign up using email, please give us a call on **020 7922 2862**.

#### COMING UP...

## THE HOMECOMING MON 27 NOV - SAT 27 JAN

In East London lives a family of butchers and boxers. When son Teddy returns home with his new wife Ruth, a power struggle between man, wife and in-laws ensues. Jared Harris (Chernobyl, Mad Men), Joe Cole (Gangs of London, Peaky Blinders) and Lisa Diveney (Call the Midwife) star in Matthew Dunster's bold refocusing of Harold Pinter's The Homecoming.

#### **PARTICIPATION**

Participation is for young people aged 16 – 25. We offer a wide range of free projects, workshops, and free tickets. If you live or study in our home boroughs of Lambeth or Southwark, there are lots of opportunities to get involved with at the Young Vic. To sign up please email participation@youngvic.org with your name, home address, a contact phone number, and your date of birth.

#### LEARNING

Learning is for schools, colleges and learning settings. INNOVATE is our flagship Learning project and over two academic years we have embedded six artists across two partner schools: South Bank University Academy and Dunraven School. We offer free tickets to all learning centres in Lambeth and Southwark and deliver bespoke projects for alternative provision and pupil referral units.

To find out more about our projects please contact learning@youngvic.org or 020 7922 2858.

#### NACHTLAND TUE 20 FEB - SAT 20 APR

Nicola and Philipp are clearing out their late father's house. When they find an old painting, things get savage. Directed by Tony Award-winner **Patrick Marber, Marius von Mayenburg**'s *Nachtland* is a satire about the rise of the new right and the terrible impulses buried deep.

YOUNG VIC WRITTEN BY RONKĘ ADÉKOLUĘJÓ & THE COMPANY **DIRECTED BY** TD MOYO **ARTS COUNCIL** YOUNGVIC.ORG @YoungVicTheatre **ENGLAND** 

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66 The Cut, Waterloo, London, SE1 8LZ. Registered charity number 268876 Design by Émilie Chen

#### **COMPANY**

### Soorayah Beedassy, Ketrina Brisefert, LB Brown, Claudia Cummings, Tracey-Ann Henry, Sandra Johnson, Rajeetha Sriskandarajah

Assistant Stage Manager

**Hayley Bowman** 

**Beth Centre** 

Luna Sigle

**Alisha Artry** 

Elina Oliva

Producer

**Community Partner** 

(Women in Prison)

Assistant Dramaturg

Associate Producer

**Aaliyah Antoine** 

Assistant Producer

**Production Manager** 

Costume Supervisor

Lillian Caccia - ML

Aimee Russam

Scenic Artist

Audrey Owusu-Frempong

Exec Producer/ Dramaturg

**Shereen Jasmin Phillips** 

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**

Writers

Ronkę Adékoluéjó and The Company

Director
TD. Moyo
Designer
Qianer Jin

Musical Director, Composer

and Sound Designer

Nicola T. Chang

Movement

Mateus Daniel
Lighting Designer

Sally Ferguson

Jerwood Trainee

Assistant Director

Olamide Aiisafe

Beth Centre Hubs Manager

Pamela Price BSL Artist

Sumayya Si-Tayeb

Stage Manager

Tash Holdaway

#### PRODUCTION TEAM

Head of Stage

Rhodri Evans

Deputy Head of Stage

**Aaron Storey** 

Workshop Manager

Rachel MacLoughlin

Stage Technician

Emma Horne

**Deputy Head of Sound** 

Neil McKeown

Head of Lighting

Faye Hetherington

Deputy Lighting

Lauren Woodhead

Production

Management Mentor

James Dawson

Head of Costume
Sarah Hamza

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#### SHOW WARNINGS

Strong language, loud music, moments of audience interaction and jokes involving threatening remarks.

#### ABOUT WOMEN IN PRISON

Women in Prison (WIP) is a national charity that delivers support for women affected by the criminal justice system. They work in prisons, the community and 'through the gate', supporting women leaving prison. They campaign for the root causes of women's involvement with the criminal justice system to be addressed and to end the harm caused by imprisonment.

**Beth Centre Manager at Women in Prison, Pamela Price**, said: "There are just over 3,500 women serving prison sentences<sup>1</sup> and around 21,000 women under probation supervision in the community<sup>2</sup>, yet their voices are all too often unheard. We are honoured to bring them to light through our partnership with the Young Vic Theatre.

We have learnt so much throughout the creative process and have valued the opportunity to co-design the performance withthe Young Vic and the women we are working with."

To learn more about WIP and to donate please visit www.womeninprison.org.uk

- 1 Prison population figures: 2023 GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
- 2 Probation data Justice Data

## YOUNG VIC TAKING PART X BETH CENTRE (WOMEN IN PRISON)

Taking Part connected with the Beth Centre (Women In Prison) through YV Unpacked: *Love Reign*, 2021 and *I Wonder If*, 2022. Due to the success of this collaboration, a strong relationship was established through free workshops, tickets to shows, sharing resources and best practice.

At the start of 2023 Taking Part invited the Beth Centre (WIP) to be a community partner for the production *Tribe*. Across the past year they have devised a brand-new play with an incredible creative team which has provided a safe space for the women to express themselves authentically. The journey over the last three years has fostered a deep relationship between Taking Part and Beth Centre (WIP) that is rooted in a shared ethos and commitment to the communities they serve. *Tribe* is the love letter that speaks to the heart of true collaboration.

#### A MESSAGE FROM TD

"Tribe is a love letter to our bodies, womanhood, the strains of sisterhood, the loss of faces and time lost and found. Tribe is the space we created and in it we found our voices, taught our feet to dance and made space for nuff feeling."

## A MESSAGE FROM RONKE

"What a gift, to be present with these women in space. This space, specifically. This story is theirs, by them for them. What an honour it has been to pen their spirits and immortalise them. Making them heroes of this current day and age. The Beth Centre (Women in Prison), The Young Vic, each member of our company. Are our modern day heroes. I hope you see their brilliance, I hope you see their prowess, I hope you see them in all their glory. Their light will surround and overwhelm you. Relax into it. It's a gift."

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