

Audition call out for HIGHLY SKILLED PUPPETEERS and PHYSICAL THEATRE PERFORMERS

Theatre-Rites is developing an exciting new immersive production for an **international Festival in 2021**. Theatre-Rites' Artistic Director and puppetry specialist **Sue Buckmaster** will be collaborating with choreographer **Gregory Maqoma** and designer **Ingrid Hu**.

Our creative team and performers will be exploring how the culture, customs and habits of different childhood homelands and childhood experiences affect our sense of who we are, our sense of play, and our relationship with the spaces we inhabit and the world around us.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A PUPPETEER / PHYSICAL THEATRE PERFORMERS with good stage presence, to be part of an ensemble of Dancers and Musicians.

Essential requirements :

- Have a minimum of 2 years' experience as a Puppeteer
- Have experience as a Physical Theatre Performer
- Have a good stage presence

We are also interested in hearing from puppeteers who have experience of handling cameras to film live puppetry as part of a performance.

SCHEDULE:

Workshop planned for January 2021 (week of 11th or 18th Jan)

6 week rehearsal period starting May with performances in July 2021

Auditions: We are currently exploring how best to manage the audition process and anticipate it may be a mix of live and digital sessions.

If you would like to be considered, please provide us with:

- a CV
- a covering note highlighting your suitability
- a link to a showreel or selected relevant footage (if available)
- any access requirements for both physical and digital auditions

Please send this information to casting@theatre-rites.co.uk (please title your email PCast21) and feel free to email us or give us a call on 0207 164 6196 if you have any questions or would like to submit your information in a different format.

Deadline for applications: Friday 23rd October at 10am

We aim to email shortlisted puppeteers and performers by the week commencing 2nd November.

About Theatre-Rites: We are a visual theatre company; all our work is devised and usually non-reliant on text. It is inspired by artists, objects and site-specific locations. Theatre-Rites is committed to being actively anti-racist and a driver of positive change both within our company and our industry.

For an example of some of our previous productions please watch these videos:

The Welcoming Party <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uciWvNOcXkE&t=1s>

Paradise <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tp1ghDbbR9E>

Big Up! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vOpbzu4OLbM>

Mischief <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4kcNVsxmGKQ>

For more information on Theatre-Rites, please visit: <http://www.theatre-rites.co.uk>