

About TheatreWorks Writers' Lab Community Project

The community project is a developmental initiative by both TheatreWorks and South East Community Development Council with two objectives.

Firstly, it promotes new work, i.e. the winners of the TheatreWorks annual 24 hour Playwriting Competition - where one of the winning playwrights is rewarded with a professionally produced performance of their work, to be toured to the community at large.

The second is to bring issue-based theatre to a community of audiences, therefore encourage the interest in theatre and to allow for self-reflection on issues that will resonate with them.

Of Babies (not really) and People

Of Babies (not really) and People raises questions about certain existing issues in the society, but how relevant are they raised to our local community?

How can the complexities of friendships be resolved?

What are the implications of surrogacy and its social and ethical dilemma?

What does it mean for a couple who wants to have children but are unable to?

How do we deal with making difficult choices in life?

Credits

Director
Assistant Director
Playwright
Performers

Set Designer
Lighting Coordinator/Technical Consultant
Sound Engineer
Collateral Designer

Producer
Stage Manager
Assistant Stage Manager
Administrator
Project Manager
Project Assistant
Intern(s)

Gerald Chew
A Yagnya
Nur Sabrina Bte Dzulkifli
Adib Kosnan
Clarice Jena Luo
Kevin Lagrange
Nabilah Said
Chan Slei
Aaron Yap
Shawn Par
Chang Sheau Ling

Brendan Tan
Eliza Martoyo
Nur Syasya
Ong Soo Mei
Mervyn Quek
Tanya Lee
Tingya Ang
Wanvipa Boonsuepsakul
Jeanette Yeap

Biographies

Nur Sabrina Bte Dzulkifli - Playwright

Sabrina, 16, grew up with a fascination with the theatre. She entered her first competition through the Odyssey of the Mind and won in the improvisation category. Following the love of theatre, Sabrina was enrolled as a theatre student at School of the Arts (SOTA) in 2011. Despite her love of performance, she constantly finds herself drawn to writing at a young age. With a small foray into the competitive side of writing in the Young Author's Scheme by Janus Education in 2011, Theatreworks' Writers' Lab 24-Hour Playwriting Competition is her first big win.

Gerald Chew - Director

Gerald Chew is an established actor of stage, film and television. He won a Life Theatre Award for Best Actor for Action Theatre's *Everything But The Brain* (2006) and was selected to participate in the *La Mama International Symposium in Directing* in Spoleto, Italy (2011). He has also directed *Saying Grace* (2012), *A Christmas Adam* (2009), *Everyman Project* for the Toronto Fringe Festival 2007 and *The Lady Of Soul and Her Ultimate "S" Machine* in TheatreWorks' Writers' Community Lab - Charging Up Memory Lane: 30 Plays in 30 Days (2001).

A Yagnya - Assistant Director

A graduate from LASALLE College of the Arts, A Yagnya has a Bachelors Degree in Theatre and Performance. At LASALLE, Yagnya was assistant director to Aubrey Mellor, Aole T. Miller, Natalie Hennedige and Tony Knight. AYagnya has co-directed Pablo Picasso's *Desire Caught by the Tail* (2011), directed Ota Shogo's *Sarachi* (2011) and *Triptych* (2012).

Adib Kosnan - Jamal

Adib's involvement in theatre began in 2001 when he joined Dramapkus Arts Youththeatre. He has also worked with numerous companies such as Drama Arts, Act 3 Theatrics, Panggung Arts, Dramabox, Wild Rice and Teater Kami. Since 2003, he has been heavily involved in numerous shows like *Mad Rock Minah Kentoi*, *Romzi and Juleha*, *Wira Bukit* and *Campur Satu: Kisah Isi dan Rusuki*. He has performed overseas as well in Dhaka, Bangladesh, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and Jakarta, Indonesia.

Clarice Jena Luo - Jenny

Graduating from the NUS Theatre Studies Programme, Clarice is an alumni of the ACJC Drama Elective Programme and has been part of projects such as the *Mayday Musical A Labour of Love* (2007), *It's My Life* (2008), *Five Pillars One Roof* (2009) and *iTheatre's Summer Swarm of Songs* (2009). Clarice was last seen playing a fairy (Nursery Magic) in *The Velvetten Rabbit*.

Kevin Lagrange - Doctor/ Customer

Kevin Lagrange is an actor who graduated from LASALLE College of the Arts in 2012. The productions which he had been involved in includes *Peer Hynf*, *Big Live*, *Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Exit the King and Middletown*. He has also directed *Almost Maine* by The Mechanicals (Production Company) and has acted in Ho Tzu Nyen's film, *Zarathustra: A Film for Everyone and No One*.

Nabilah Said - Maslindah

Nabilah discovered her love for theatre after ungoing a one-year programme under Teater Ekamatra. Since then, she has been involved in several stage and television productions, such as *This Placement* (2012). Furthermore, she was also selected to be in Teater Ekamatra's *Mentah*, a platform to help young playwrights find their voice, in 2012. Nabilah has also wrote and directed *Sesat* (2012).

THEATREWORKS

Of Babies (not really) and People

Is it really about the Baby?
Or about the People wanting it?

Touring the South East District
in April and May 2013

FREE ADMISSION

Written by **Nur Sabrina Dzulkiifi**
Directed by **Gerald Chew**
with Assistant Director **A Yagnya**
Performed by **Adib Kosnan, Clarice Jena Luo,
Kevin Lagrange & Nabilah Said**



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Venue Partners



Marine Parade CC
Mountbatten CC
Siglap South CC



Tour Schedule

**Mountbatten
Community Club,
Performance Centre**
12 Apr 2013, Fri,
8pm and
13 Apr 2013, Sat,
3pm

**Siglap South
Community Centre,
Multi Purpose Hall**
26 Apr 2013, Fri,
8pm

**Serangoon
Public Library,
Programme Zone**
4 May 2013, Sat,
3pm and
5 May 2013, Sun,
3pm

**Marine Parade
Community Club,
TheatreHe**
11 May 2013, Sat,
3pm

**Geylang East
Public Library,
Merpati Hall**
18 May 2013, Sat,
3pm and
19 May 2013, Sun,
3pm

**Gardens by the Bay,
Supertree Grove**
25 May 2013, Sat,
6.30pm

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