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## Marital Bliss-ters

**WRITTEN BY NICKY PANTLAND**  
**DIRECTED BY MARK PAPS**

The play takes a look at the marriage of two people, Virginia and Harold who have been married for 15 years and, as the name suggests, have been on the road of Marital Bliss which now in their case has turned into Blisters. Virginia allows Harold the control he thinks is his God given right as a male, or as he puts it in the play, "When I say jump I expect my woman to jump", however she cunningly allows this while planning to teach him a lesson for good.



**DIRECTOR**  
Mark Paps



**HAROLD**  
Marius Du Toit



**VIRGINIA**  
Samantha Keller



**BETHANY**  
Taryn Brehm



**ROARKE**  
David Dunn



**NEANDERTHAL  
MAN**  
Ashley Nader



**NEANDERTHAL  
WOMAN**  
Wendy Brehm

## Joined At The Hip

**WRITTEN BY DAVE MORGAN**  
**DIRECTED BY ELS DE BUNDEL**  
**AND NICKY PANTLAND**

When a pair of Siamese twins who are joined at the hip and shoulder break down on their way to Cape Town, hilarity ensues as they try to book into a room in a traditionally conservative one horse town. They are misunderstood, challenged and ridiculed, but eventually manage to continue on their trip, with an unexpected additional party.



**DIRECTOR**  
Els De Bundel



**DIRECTOR**  
Nicky Pantland



**JANNIE**  
Mark Paps



**LEONIE**  
Nicole Botha



**GRETA**  
Jessica Urbani



**JILL**  
Palesa and Nkopane Makhetha



**MARCUS**  
Calen Critchfield

## Chicken, Airbags and Wors

**WRITTEN AND DIRECTED  
BY ASHLEY NADER**

Two roommates, who are best friends, have two very different problems and try to help each other as best as possible. Julie is tired of feeling belittled and wants new breasts, Shannon is having boyfriend trouble.

Can their friendship sustain their differences especially when a witch doctor's remedies get thrown into the mix?



**DIRECTOR**  
Ashley Nader



**SHANNON**  
Els De Bundel



**JULIE**  
Taryn Muller

## Carry You Home

**WRITTEN BY ASHLEY NADER  
ADAPTED AND DIRECTED BY TAMARA ALLKINS**

The scene opens on an all too familiar fight between a couple. What happens next is the fallout of the argument and the consequences thereof. It is filled with love and hatred, good and bad, also peppered with real life antics and a little laughter thrown in!

Kate and Perry are a couple at the end of their relationship. Jade is Kate's best friend. So when Perry leaves Kate in trouble, it is up to Jade to pick up the pieces. Everyone will be able to relate the story to their lives in one form or another. I mean, who hasn't had a breakup, experimented with illegal goings-on or wanted the odd life makeover?!



**DIRECTOR**  
Tamara Allkins



**KATE**  
Traci Scerri



**PERRY**  
David Dunn



**JADE**  
Cat Coxon

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## Malopo

**WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY  
THABO S. SELEPE**

*(LEFAKGOMO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT THEATRE)*

Sidwell has been a Christian all his life. When he gets sick he is told that he must perform a traditional ritual for his ancestors in order to heal himself. Now he has a tough choice to make... to remain loyal to the church or to try and get himself healed.



**GILBERT**  
Tumisang Selepe



**DIRECTOR**  
Thabo Selepe



**MAMOSADI**  
Tercia Pilusa



**RAPITSI**  
Evence Malatjie



**PRECIOUS**  
Lerato Selepe



**SIDWELL**  
Tsimishi Mojela



**NGAKA**  
Selepe Mathews

## After Ten

**WRITTEN BY STEVEN CHIABERTA  
DIRECTED BY STEVEN CHIABERTA  
AND WENDY BREHM**

After Ten is a one-act drama about two couples who have just enjoyed a dinner party together, and are now about to have after-dinner drinks.

The play is set in the garden cottage that one of the couples rents. This couple has recently become worried that their landlord, who lives in the main house, is a psychopath. They suspect this because their television is hooked up to the landlord's television in the main house, so they can see whatever the landlord watches on TV.



**DIRECTOR /  
MATT**  
Steven Chiaberta



**DIRECTOR**  
Wendy Brehm



**RACHEL**  
Sarah Marcou



**SAMANTHA**  
Samantha Keller



**KENNETH**  
Mark Paps



**NEIGHBOUR**  
Hannah Cohen

## What Tangled Webs

**WRITTEN BY WERNER BOTES  
DIRECTED BY TARYN MULLER AND  
DAVID DUNN**

Two sisters – one an overachiever, the other a free spirit – both plan a weekend of decadence at their parents' summer home.

When they both show up at the same time, hilarity ensues as they try to hide their secrets and scandals from each other. This saucy comic romp is a laugh-out-loud farce featuring a brilliant cast.



**DIRECTOR**  
Taryn Muller



**DIRECTOR / SPIKE**  
David Dunn



**LEIGH-ANN**  
Jessica Urbani



**JOAN**  
Taryn Brehm



**STEPHEN**  
Nkopane Makhetha



**ANGELICA**  
Wendy Brehm



**PETA**  
Samantha Keller

## Miss Independent

**WRITTEN BY ASHLEY NADER  
DIRECTED BY ANA HOLMES**

In a life changing situation, can Cynthia overcome the changes and her conservative daughter's opinion?

Special thanks go to Fatima Martin for her help in collecting props and helping the cast with lines.

Special thanks also go to Claire Demmer-Considine for doing the music and sound, all the way from London.



**DIRECTOR**  
Ana Holmes



**CYNTHIA**  
Angela-Jane  
Van Vuuren



**MARY**  
Vanessa Holmes

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## Don't Knock

**WRITTEN BY ASHLEY NADER**  
**DIRECTED BY KENYON MACMURRAY**

This is a play about a group of friends and how they react when confronted with events thrown at them by life. At some point we've all wished we had the courage to say or do something to express exactly how we feel.

Don't Knock gives you a glimpse of what it would be like to do exactly this and explore the possible consequences.



**DIRECTOR / JIMMY**  
Kenyon MacMurray



**PAMELA**  
Lisa Mellows



**POLICEMAN**  
Hendrik Greyvenstein



**TONY**  
Ashley Nader



**RYAN**  
Nkopane Makhetha



**ANDREW**  
Calen Critchfield

## Zoo

**WRITTEN BY TERRY ADLAM**  
**DIRECTED BY HENDRIK GREYVENSTEIN**

It's just another day in paradise for overworked, underpaid Zoo Manager Richard Blount and his team of game keepers as they try to avert one certain disaster after the other. As if dealing with a bungling Irish moose supplier, car thieving gibbons, an over-bearing boss, escaped tigers and an unco-operative secretary isn't enough, Sir Norman, the zoo owner is about to arrive for a surprise visit.



**DIRECTOR / RICHARD**  
Hendrik Greyvenstein



**ZOE**  
Tamara Allkins



**GATE**  
Kenyon MacMurray



**PENGUIN**  
Calen Critchfield



**VISITOR**  
Sindile Bongoca



**WENDY**  
Wendy Brehm



**WOMAN**  
Tshego Mbambala



**ALEX**  
Pulane Moraladi



**DAN**  
Dave Morgan



**CLAIRE**  
Taryn Muller



**FARQUAR**  
Ashley Nader



**CHIMP**  
Kathy Clayton



**HARPER**  
David Dunn

# ADJUDICATORS



## Jai'prakash



Previously credited as Jaiprakash and Jai Sewram, Jai'Prakash spent a year studying Musical Theatre at TUT in 2004. He has subsequently performed in stage musicals such as Sweeney Todd (2007) and Into The Woods (2005), as well as a Shakespeare in the Park production of Much Ado About Nothing (2009). His physical performance skills were well received in the children's theatre shows Aladdin (2008) and Charlotte's Web (2008), the seductively naughty School of Whoredom (2009 Wits Festival), and the more controversial The Tragic Life and Death of Doctor Faustus (2008). On TV, Jai has appeared in various popular shows since 2006. His most recent major TV role is Ravi Chetty on Rous House Productions' High Rollers (2013).

## Suresh Nampuri



Suresh Nampuri is a wandering gypsy who has been meandering through various roles in theatre in Paris and Munich for quite some time now while pursuing black holes in string theory at universities, and has finally landed on his feet here in Jo'burg where he plans to continue his pursuit of the performing arts with all the gusto and creative zing that this vibrant city will enable him to, while plunging into string theory at the WITS university.

## Sydney Natas



B.A (CAPE TOWN) L.T.C.L. (Speech and Drama)  
F.I.D.M.A (Latin – American)  
T.E.F.L. (English as a foreign language)  
Diploma in Counselling (Unisa)  
Silver and Gold Medallist (Drama)  
Dip. In Maths (Oxon)  
Taught in New York, London, Montreal, Sydney  
Specialist in Maths and Communication  
Produced and acted in several plays

## Production Crew

FESTIVAL PRODUCER:  
Carri Lyons

STAGE MANAGER:  
Monika Jacobs

LIGHTING & SOUND:  
Robert Cunningham

FRONT OF HOUSE:  
Carri Lyons  
Wendy Brehm  
Kenyon MacMurray

TUCKSHOP:  
Anthony Vosloo  
Caylee Harman  
Steven Vosloo



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## Upcoming Attractions

Our 2014 mid-year production is a farce, title to be confirmed. Auditions will be held on Sunday 13th April at 14h30 and on Monday 14th April at 19h30 at the Franklin Rec Hall.

We're always looking for fresh talent (on stage or backstage) so come along to the auditions, no experience necessary!

Keep an eye on our website ([www.franklin.org.za](http://www.franklin.org.za)) and our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/FranklinPlayers](http://www.facebook.com/FranklinPlayers)) for further information.