



INVITATION – TEACHER PREVIEW – Building the Wall

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Dear Teacher!

Theater Drachengasse and **vienna theatre project** in cooperation with **Wien Kultur** cordially invite you to participate in the Teacher's Preview of the play;

„Building the Wall” by Robert Schenkkan

Sunday 24th September 2017 8pm

Play Duration: 1hr. Talk back: 30 mins.+

Location: Theater Drachengasse Bar & Co, Fleischmarkt 22, 1010 Vienna



Dave Moskin: Dave grew up in NYC appearing in numerous Theater and Television productions including *Oliver*, *Gypsy*, the national company of *The Rothchild's* and *The Grassharp* and *Seesaw on Broadway*.

Flo Wilson: Flo comes from the UK, her credits include: Richard The Third (Northern Broadsides); Home Is (Contact Theatre & Richmix London); House Of Bernarda Alba (Home Theatre); Brief Encounters (Freedom Studios); Black

Love, Fences, Fear Of A Black Planet (Black Arts Development Project);

About the Play:

From America's most acclaimed political playwright, Pulitzer and Tony® winner Robert Schenkkan (Academy Award® nom.), comes a provocative theatrical event written in a "white hot fury". In a time when shocking campaign rhetoric is turned into real policies, BUILDING THE WALL reveals the power of theatre to question who we are and where we might be going.

It is 2019. Rick, a former prison administrator, now finds HIMSELF imprisoned, awaiting a possible death sentence. Having run a private prison facility in Trump's America, new immigration laws forced him to accept an overabundant influx of prisoners awaiting deportation. The pressures in this "for profit" facility, quickly begin to pile up. Rick is on his own to "figure things out". The situation quickly spins out of control. Who's really to blame for what ensued?

Gloria, a history professor, is here to interview him, to hear his story and, maybe understand the man behind the headlines.

A cautionary tale about how anybody caught in extraordinary circumstances can end up doing extraordinary things – but at what price?

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About Robert Schenkkan

ROBERT SCHENKKAN is a Pulitzer-prize winning, Tony@ Award winning, Writer's Guild Award winning, three-time Emmy nominated writer of Stage, Television, and Film.

He is the author of fourteen original full-length plays, two musicals, and a collection of one-act plays. He co-wrote the feature film, HACKSAW RIDGE (six Academy Award nominations) and THE QUIET AMERICAN, and his television credits include: ALL THE WAY, THE PACIFIC, THE ANDROMEDA STRAIN and SPARTACUS.

Robert will be joining us at the premiere on 25th September 2017

What the press say?

The Hollywood Reporter "A mesmerizing and shocking new play that simmers with of-the-moment urgency."

LA Times "Terrifyingly plausible dystopian fiction"

Variety "A scorcher of a play with gripping storytelling"

New York Times "A must-see show!"

Suitable for age 14 and up.

After the preview:

- **teachers will be invited to determine best possible dates for schools performances September 25th – October 8th 2017**
- **shown a teacher material package that they can use with their pupils.**
- **offered a tailor made talk back session for students with the cast and crew.**

For information and reservations please contact karten@drachengasse.at or 01/5131444

Please reserve asap. – there is limited seating only

**Best Regards,
vienna theatre project Team**

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