INVITATION – TEACHER PREVIEW – THE MOUNTAINTOP



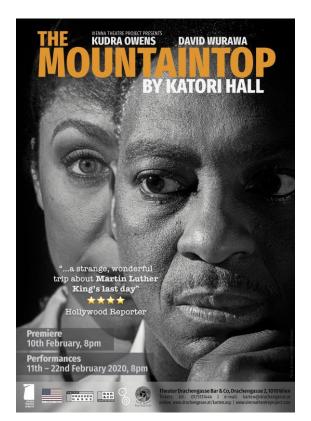
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Dear Teacher!

Theater Drachengasse, U.S. EMBASSY Vienna and vienna theatre project cordially invite you to participate in the Teacher's Preview of the play;

"THE MOUNTAINTOP" by KATORI HALL on Sunday 9th February 2020 8pm

Play Duration: 1.5hrs. Location: Theater Drachengasse Bar & Co, Fleischmarkt 22, 1010 Vienna



The Mountaintop by Katori Hall 10th - 22nd February 2020, 8pm,

1968, The Mountaintop dramatizes the night before Martin Luther King is assassinated right after he delivered a speech where he foretold his own fate: "I may not get there with you, but I want you to know that tonight, we as a people will get to the Promised Land."

Katori Hall weaves a powerful, poignantly funny, surreal fantasy about a conversation between King and a mysterious hotel maid who brings him a cup of coffee to his hotel room late at night. Their meeting prompts him to confront his life, his past, his legacy and the plight and future of civil rights and African Americans. Hall's insight, light touch and lively mood depicts King as a man with very human faults who was nonetheless capable of inspiring millions to hope and move toward equality and justice.



'The Mountaintop literally explodes into metaphysical magic realism, ruminating on race and politics, life and death in ways that connect King's legacy to every person in the audience."

"...a strange, wonderful trip about Martin Luther King's last day" ****

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"...an emotionally powerful and theatrically stunning moment of truth"





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Starring award winning actor David Wurawa as Martin Luther King Jr. and Kudra Owens as Camae

Directed by: Joanna Godwin-Seidl Premiere: 10th February 2020, 8pm Shows: 11^{th.} February – 22nd February 2020, 8pm Theater Drachengasse Bar & Co

vienna theatre project welcomes in 2020 with a wonderful, award-winning play about Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights Movement

Great theatre can emerge from a simple yet evocative question: "What if?" Katori Hall, winner of the Blackburn Prize for outstanding women playwrights, asks the question: What did Martin Luther King Jr. do the night before he died? Who did he talk to? What did he say? Her play attempts to answer these questions, albeit in an imaginative rather than realistic way. "The Mountaintop" took home England's Olivier Award for best play. In fall 2011, the play's poignant message resonated on Broadway, starring featuring Samuel L. Jackson and Angela Bassett.

The Mountaintop is a two-person drama about the last day of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The entire play is set in the Lorraine hotel room, the evening before his assassination. King is alone, trying to create yet another powerful speech. When he orders a cup of coffee from room service, a mysterious woman arrives, bringing much more than a late-night beverage. What follows is a reflective, often funny, often touching conversation in which Dr. King examines his achievements, his failures, and his unfinished dreams. social.

First Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nzyk4jeW1No

An interview with David Wurawa.

After the preview:

- Teachers will be invited to determine best possible dates for school performances February 12nd – February 21st 2020 Matinee or evening.
- Shown a teacher material package that they can use with their pupils.
- Offered a tailormade talk back session for students with the cast and crew.

For information and reservations please contact karten@drachengasse.at or 01/513 14 44

Please reserve asap. - there is limited seating only

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas & a Happy New Year!

Best Regards, Your vienna theatre project Team

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