

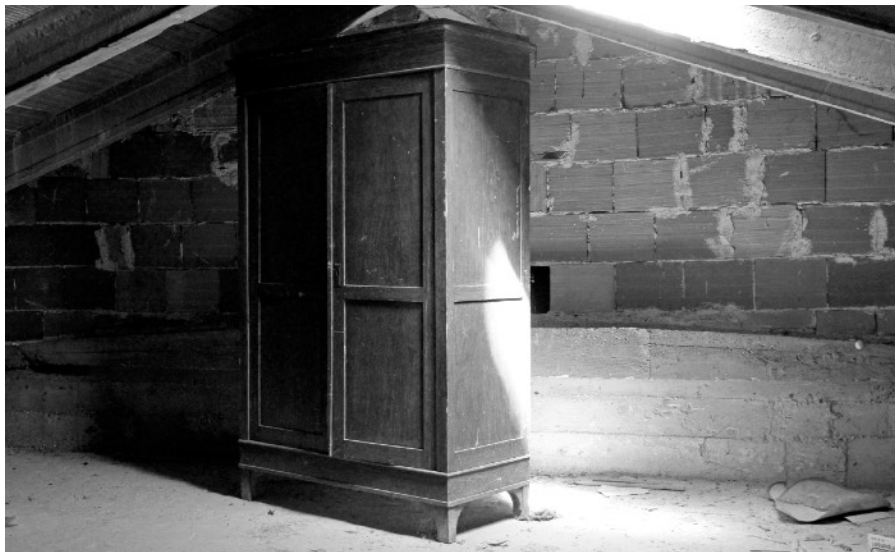
The New Narnia

Devised by the Cast

Directed by Kim Morrison

21 - 25 November 2017

Rosemary Branch Theatre, Islington



1. About the Play

Clown-like politicians. Fear mongering newspapers. Cats with abnormally long bodies. The world is getting weirder and more complicated everyday. What if you could make it all stop?

The New Narnia will invite audiences to explore the possibilities offered by the modern day magical wardrobe. Open a door and enter a new reality of your own creation. Will it be a joyful Bedknobs and Broomsticks, flying-mattress type affair or would you find yourself trapped in the Handmaid's Tale?

This will be an original, one act play based on the theme of alternate worlds, that will be devised entirely by the cast. The aim is to blend the discomfort of Black Mirror with the craziness of greek mythology, the intimacy of kitchen sink drama and a good dose of ridiculousness. I am looking for 8 fun-loving, friendly (that's important) and talented actors who are excited by the idea of building a play from scratch. During rehearsals we will develop ideas and characters, improvise, and play with music, movement and text to create an exciting new piece of work to be performed for one week at the end of November.

2. Auditions

You do not need to prepare anything for the audition. Just turn up and be ready to play...

On the night you audition, you will be asked to fill in a preference form so that we have your contact details and know your availability for rehearsals.

When: 6.45-7pm registration, auditions 7pm-9pm, Monday 18 to Wednesday 20 September. Choose whichever day suits you best.

Where: Theatre Delicatessen Deli Studios, 2 Finsbury Ave, EC2M 2PA. The nearest tubes are Moorgate and Liverpool St.

Recalls: These will take place on Saturday 23 September between 11.00am and 3.00pm and are by invitation only. You will be called by Friday 22nd September if we'd like to see you again and full details given then.

If you know you can't make recalls, please make a member of the committee aware of this on your audition night and complete the relevant section on your preference form. We can see if alternative arrangements can be made.

3. Show Dates

The show will be performed from Tuesday 21 November to Saturday 25 November at The Rosemary Branch, Islington. Each performance will start at 7.30pm and you will be called at least an hour beforehand to warm up. The dress rehearsals will be on Sunday 19 November all day and Monday 20 November. On Monday you will preferably be available from midday onwards but if this is impossible for you, it's not vital.

4. Rehearsals

First rehearsal (depending on cast availability) on Monday 25 September. Rehearsals will be mainly on Monday evenings (6pm and 10pm) and Sunday afternoons/evenings (12pm and 8pm). You might not be needed for every single rehearsal. All rehearsals will be in central London. A rehearsal schedule will be created as soon as possible, once the cast's availability dates are all accounted for.

5. About You

You can be anyone. I am looking for people who jump right in and enjoy the process of devising and improvising. If you love the safety net of a script or need to know what is coming next this is not the project for you! Devised pieces rely heavily on the lovely personalities of the cast so be yourself - I want to see what you bring and will be looking to recruit a diverse and interesting group of people.

6. Devised Theatre at KDC

The KDC devised programme has been running since 2008 and produced over 10 brand new plays, we are very proud of this strand of our work and love giving our creative membership the chance to make new theatre.