**THEATRE BITES** 10 - 22.06



# **TOBACCO ROAD**

**CREATED BY INCOGNITO THEATRE COMPANY** 

Lindsey McAlister Brian Zeilinger

Partners





Presenters

ArtisTree TAIKOO PLACE 

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ArtisTree Selects: Theatre Bites is a first-of-its-kind international collaboration. Beginning in Autumn 2017, we began mapping out and cultivating ideas for this inaugural festival. From the outset, it was of the utmost importance to create a selection of work that speaks to a new generation of theatre-goers and to the issues facing us as global citizens today. Through ArtisTree Selects: Theatre Bites, we hope that we can use the arts to entertain, educate and impact an audience and begin a dialogue. The unique pieces of theatre that you will see address topics ranging from gender and sexuality to love and relationships, and the environment.

Artistic Directors - Lindsey McAlister and Brian Zeilinger

#### About Artistree Selects

ArtisTree Selects is a series of specially commissioned and curated programmes featuring unique productions by both local and international artists. It launches this summer with Theatre Bites and dance festival Moving Pieces. In addition to world-class performances, dedicated talks and open rehearsals will also take place to enhance audience experience.

## TOBACCO ROAD

Through explosive physical style, *Tobacco Road* tells the story of five resourceful young men and women attempting to carve out a place in the murky underworld of 1920's London. In the wake of the Great War, can they find the fame and wealth they crave or will their desperate need to belong lead to disastrous consequences?

Incognito Theatre Company seeks to explore the stories that have gone untold in many history books, from the day-to-day struggle of being a female gangster in a male-dominated world to the complex and impossible standards of masculinity. Tobacco Road is a magnified examination of the real people who had to forge a life for themselves in a world that had ignored them.

By shining a light on gang activity, this exciting production investigates how young people find themselves embroiled in gang culture and why people felt they had no other option but to go into crime.

#### **ABOUT THE COMPANY**

A company created out of Young Pleasance, Incognito Theatre Company first appeared at the Fringe in 2014 with their dazzlingly inventive adaptation of Government Inspector. Following their sell-out, five-star adaptation of Oscar Wilde's Dorian Gray in 2015, this "immensely talented ensemble" used their striking physical theatre techniques to bring Remarque's masterpiece, All Quiet On The Western Front, to the stage with vivid intensity. In 2017, they embarked on a new challenge, original writing, and inspired by Peaky Blinders, Alice Diamond and real-life gang stories the company will bring the greasy and gritty 1920's London underworld to the Hong Kong stage.

### CAST

Tommy Carlisle Elsie Murphy Frida Bow Felix Vance Alfie Moss

Angus Castle-Doughty Jennie Eggleton Atlanta Hayward George John

Dan Whitlam

#### **PRODUCTION**

Director Producer Stage Manager Choreographer Sound Designer Fight Choreographer Photography

Roberta Zuric Hannah Wisher Freya Jefferies Zak Nemorin Oscar Macguire Lisa Connell Tim Hall

#### PRODUCTION TEAM OF HONG KONG YOUTH ARTS FOUNDATION

Lindsey McAlister Brian Zeilinger Artistic Directors Producer Anca Chung Lighting Designer Billy Wong Sound Designer Can Ha Stage Manager Satina Shum Zeta Chan Deputy Stage Manager Assistant Stage Managers Fuk Yi Wong Dan Tse Light Crew Kwan Pui Ting Production Electrician Hei Tung Fung

Lighting Programmers & Ngar Yuk Yau
Operators Tat Yi Hsieh Operators Sound Operators

Stage Crew

Project Team

Marketing and PR

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Jade Yung