

Toby Parsons Productions in association with Park Theatre presents

(God Save My) Northern Soul

By **Natasha Cottriall** Directed by **Hannah Tyrrell-Pinder**

Cast

Biographies



Natasha Cottriall

Natasha is a writer and performer. Theatre work includes: Henry VIII and I Joan (Globe Theatre); Housemates (The Sherman Theatre); Family Tree (Docklands Festival); The Welkin (National Theatre); Future Conditional (Old Vic); Into the Woods (Royal Exchange Manchester); The Buskers Opera and Whodunnit unrehearsed (Park Theatre); Beautiful – The Carole King Musical and The Selfish Giant (West End); The Secret Garden (Theatre by the Lake); Oklahoma! (Grange Park Opera); The Lovely Bones (on tour) and Anna Bella Eema (Arcola).

TV includes: Patience; Emmerdale; Only child; Float; Shetland; Moving On; Vera; Doctors and the upcoming Netflix drama Legends.

Film includes: Changing Tides; Canvas 5 and Aladdin.

(God Save My) Northern Soul is her debut play as a writer/performer. Her recent play HOME was longlisted for the Bruntwood Prize and shortlisted for the Sheila Delaney award and the Alfred Fagon award.

Creative Team

Biographies

Hannah Tyrrell-Pinder

Director

Hannah is Joint Artistic Director of Box of Tricks and a freelance director and dramaturg. Hannah trained at the University of York and Mountview Academy of Theatre Arts.

Recent directing credits for Box of Tricks include: Danesha (Lowry and regional tour 2024); Winter Tales (Arden School of Theatre 2023); Last Quiz Night on Earth (urban/rural tour 2022); SparkPlug (national tour, shortlisted for Alfred Fagon Award 2018 and broadcast on Sky Arts 2021); Narvik (national tour, nominated Best New Play MTAs, winner Best New Play UK Theatre Awards 2017); In Doggerland (national tour); Word:Play/NWxSW (Regional Tour) and Picture a City (Everyword 2012, Liverpool Playhouse).

Recent freelance directing credits include: The War Bride of Mormon County (rehearsed reading at HOME); FADE (The Lowry and Leeds Playhouse 2024); (God Save My) Northern Soul (Theatre 503 2023) and Macbeth (University of Staffordshire 2023).

Alex Marker

Designer

Since graduating from Wimbledon School of Art 25 years ago Alex has designed well over 150 productions for most scales of venue including: west end, regional, touring, site specific and fringe. For 23 years he has been resident designer at the critically acclaimed Finborough Theatre where he has designed many critically acclaimed productions including most of James Graham's earliest plays. Occasionally he makes elaborate scale model dioramas for Mischief Theatre's 'Goes Wrong' TV appearances, but they always seem to end up destroying them! He has been nominated eight times for the best set design category in the Off West End Awards and he is also the artistic director of The Questors Theatre in Ealing.

Chris James

Sound Designer

Chris has worked as the Deputy Head of Sound and Broadcast at the Royal Opera House Muscat, in Oman. As Head of Sound for the national tours of Fame, Rock of Ages, Hairspray, Million Dollar Quartet, The King & I, Blood Brothers and Cabaret. He has been an associate artist with Box of Tricks Theatre Company for more than 10 years.

Sound Designs include: Jack & The Beanstalk (Leamington Spa); Cinderella (Leamington Spa); Aladdin (Cambridge Arts Theatre); Aladdin (Leamington Spa); Sleeping Beauty (Corby); Evita (York Theatre Royal); Giraffes Can't Dance (Leicester Curve & UK Tour); The Entertainer (UK Tour); Bollywood Jane (Leicester Curve); Under Three Moons; Sparkplug; Chip Shop Chips; Plastic Figurines; In Doggerland; My Arms; Whispering Happiness; WordPlay; WordPlay2; A Hole in The Fence; Streetlights and Shadows; Rural and Beyond Omarska (Box of Tricks Theatre; Romeo and Juliet, and A Servant of Two Masters (Michael Bogdanov's Wales Theatre Company).

Associate Sound Designs include: The Nico Project (Melbourne International Arts Festival); The Wedding Singer (South Korea); Democracy (Old Vic Theatre); School for Scandal (Bath Theatre Royal) and The Bargain (Bath Theatre Royal and National Tour).

Richard Williamson

Lighting Designer

Previous work includes: The Olivier award winning Rotterdam (West End/Off-Broadway/ UK National Tour); Dogs of Europe (Belarus Free Theatre at the Barbican and international tour); Richard III, An Arab Tragedy (Swan Theatre Stratford/International tour); Sampled and Danse Élargie (Sadler's Wells); Great Expectations (UK tour); Little Miss Sunshine (Arcola Theatre and UK Tour); Fiddler on the Roof and The Comedy about a Bank Robbery (Istanbul); Beowulf, Septimus Bean and His Amazing Machine, Jason and the Argonauts (Unicorn); What's On Stage 'Best Production' Winner Thebes Land (also video); New Nigerians, Drones Baby Drones (also video); Shrapnel (also video); Mare Rider, Macbeth, A Midsummer Night's Dream, The Country (Arcola Theatre); A Political History of Smack and Crack (Edinburgh Fringe and Soho Theatre); Oedipus at Colonus (Cambridge Arts Theatre); The Body (Barbican); The Dark Side of Love (Roundhouse); In My Name, Boris World King (Trafalgar Studios); Amphibians (Bridewell); Thrill Me (Tristan Bates/ Charing Cross Theatre/UK and international tour); Twentieth Century Boy (New Wolsey Ispwich); Re:Home (also video); Brenda (The Yard); Play Size (Young Vic); The Al-Hamlet Summit (Tokyo International Festival/International tour); Strangers In Between (Trafalgar Studios and Kings Head); Ballo, Tosco, Denial, Someone To Blame (Kings Head) and Summer Begins (Southwark Playhouse).

Richard trained at LAMDA, is a member of the board of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe Society and London's Finborough Theatre, and develops industry leading applications zoomOSC and zoomISO.

Erin Blake

Stage Manager on Book

Erin is a recent graduate who has since worked in a variety of theatre styles including circus, dance, musicals, and plays. She trained at LAMDA and some of her credits include Edward Scissorhands (Sadler's Wells); Bricks and Mortar (National Centre for Circus Arts); The Three Musketeers, Trois! (Barn Theatre); Monsters and Six Degrees of Freedom (National Centre for Circus Arts); Michael Morpurgo's In the Mouth of the Wolf (Barn Theatre) and Making Moves (Sadler's Wells East).

Toby Parsons

Producer

Productions include a sold out run of *The Passenger* at the multi-award-winning Finborough Theatre, a UK Regional Tour of *Bull* by in a Co-Production with MESH Theatre Co, a workshop of *Attachment* at the Liverpool Everyman Theatre and Banging Denmark for MESH Theatre Co. at the Finborough Theatre. Productions as an Associate Producer include *Sleeping Beauty* and *Beauty and the Beast* with Upstage Productions at The Radlett Centre. Toby worked for Cameron Mackintosh on many of his productions including *Mary Poppins, Half A Sixpence, Miss Saigon, Les Misérables, The Phantom of the Opera, Hair* and *Oliver!*

Zory Mishchiy

Production Coordinator

Zory has over 15 years experience working within the arts, in particular theatre and film. Most recently, Zory specialised in Art Licensing and Copyright Management at The National Gallery, London. Prior to this, she worked at Cameron Mackintosh assisting on the UK and International tours of Miss Saigon, Les Misérables, The Phantom of the Opera and Oliver! Zory has also worked for film and television charities. At Kino Klassika Foundation, she facilitated the Youth on the March UK Film Festival, arranged private and public film screenings in London and hosted charity fundraising events.

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