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Theatre

Two Indians

By Falen Johnson

Directed by Natalie Robitaille

Featuring Cheyenne Scott and Danelle Charette



January 25 to February 10, 2024
Magnus Theatre Mainstage



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THE COMPANY

DANELLE CHARETTE	Win
CHEYENNE SCOTT	Roe

NATALIE ROBITAILLE	Director
GILLIAN JONES	Stage Manager
LISA MACCHIONE	Costume Designer
TIM STEPHENSON	Sound Designer
NADIA CHEECHOO	Head of Props
DAVID BROWN	Head Carpenter
NICHOLAS PALINKA	Production Manager

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Two Indians is performed by arrangement with Ian Arnold, Catalyst
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An excerpt of Two Indians was first presented at Wrecking Ball 14 at
the Aki Theatre in Toronto, ON

Two Indians was first produced by Salt Baby Collective as a part of
the 2016 SummerWorks Performance Festival at the Factory Theatre
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Falen Johnson (Playwright) is Mohawk and Tuscarora (Bear Clan) from Six Nations Grand River Territory. She was named one of Maclean's "20 to watch in 2020."

She is the host of the new CBC Podcast BUFFY, about prolific singer-songwriter Buffy Saint-Marie. Falen is also the co-host of CBC Podcasts' The Secret Life of Canada with Leah Simone Bowen, and guest-hosted CBC Radio's UNRESERVED for the 2020/21 season. In addition to her hosting roles, Johnson is a playwright whose works include ***Salt Baby***, ***Two Indians***, and ***Ipperwash***, for which she received a Dora Nomination. Her writing has been featured in Brick, The Canadian Theatre Review, and Granta Magazine. She has also written for television including Urban Native Girl (APTN), Merchants of the Wild (APTN), and the 2020 Indspire Awards (CBC).



Natalie Robitaille (Director) is thrilled to be returning to Magnus Theatre to direct another of Falen Johnson's wonderful plays. Previous engagements for Magnus Theatre include directing ***Salt Baby*** by Falen

Johnson in 2022 and appearing as Liz in their 2019 production of ***This Is How We Got Here*** by Keith Barker. Most recent directing credits include ***Sexy Laundry*** by Michele Riml, ***Real Estate*** by Allana Harkin and ***Murder for Two*** by Joe Kinosian and Kellen Blair. She is also Artistic Director of Bruce County Playhouse in Southampton, ON. She would like to thank the cast and crew for all their efforts these past few weeks in bringing this story to life.

Opening Night of Two Indians



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Danelle Charette (Win) is ecstatic to be returning to the beautiful Magnus Theatre! Born and raised in Regina, Saskatchewan, Danelle is an Indigenous multidisciplinary artist currently based out of Toronto, Ontario.

Danelle recently completed her post-secondary education at Randolph College for The Performing Arts (2021). Select theatre credits include: Serena Katz in ***Fame: The Musical*** (RCPA), Grandfather/Multi-character in ***Salt Baby*** (Magnus Theatre); and Eddie in ***Mamma Mia*** (Tweed & Co.), Aunty/Girl in ***You're Sad, So I'm Here*** (Roseneath Theatre); Gad in ***Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat*** (Tweed & Co.) TV/ Film credits: Corner Gas (CTV), Deena in Where's My Sister (PM Veltri); and Katie in Louis Says (APTN). "Thank you to my Mama, friends, and family, for growing me in their gardens of love and for always encouraging me to storytell and play."

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Cheyenne Scott (Roe) is Straits Salish of the Saanich Nation/ Norwegian settler descent and an actor, playwright, and creative producer with a focus on new works. Having learned theatre through a colonial lens, she is working to Indigenize her process through her Salish values, land-based methodology, and storytelling. She is a multi Dora Mavor Moore nominated artist for co-creating/ performing ***Now You See Her*** (Quote Unquote Collective/Nightwood/Why Not Theatre) which was published by Coach House, and for ***The Home Project*** (Howland/Native Earth/Soulpepper). She strives to create authentic stories that serve the community and offer good medicine for the future. As a performer, Cheyenne is drawn to complex contemporary characters and stories that involve music. Select Credits include: ***Children of God*** (Urban Ink/NAC, Citadel/WCT, Segal Centre), ***The Herd*** (Citadel/Tarragon), ***Joyride*** (Caravan Farm Theatre), ***The Drowning Girls*** (WCT), ***Mistatim*** (Red Sky Performance), ***Trojan Girls and the Outhouse of Arteus*** (Outside the March/Factory).



Gillian Jones (Stage Manager) This is my bio all about how, my life got flipped turned upside down and I'd like to take a moment before the show starts to tell you how I became involved in the live arts. In North Thunder Bay, I was born and raised. On a playground is where I spent most of my days. Chillin out max and relaxin all cool, but never shootin' B-ball outside of the school. When a couple of folks who were up to some good, started a rehearsal in my neighbourhood. I worked on one little show and my boss was eager to offer me a job here at Magnus Theatre. Nice to be back in the theatre again.

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Lisa Macchione (Costume Design) is a passionate devotee of the performing arts and all things adornment. In 1999 she graduated from Seneca College's Fashion Arts program and has had the opportunity to use her skills in costuming to work onset of local films, historical reenactments, as well as her own performance art. Researching characters, creating one of kind pieces, and the spark of a thrift store treasure hunt are what she enjoys most. She is thrilled to join the team of creative crew and cast at Magnus Theatre.



Tim Stephenson (Technical Director) is a production award winning graduate from the Ontario Institute of Audio Recording Technology. In the years since graduation he has worked as an Audio Technician at the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium setting up some of the biggest shows to come to Thunder Bay.



Nicholas Palinka (Production Manager & Projection Design) is the current Production Manager at Magnus Theatre and would like to thank Dave, Nadia, Lisa and Tim for your hard work throughout the season. Nadine, thank you for your support - without you I wouldn't have been able to have a career in the arts. If you've read this far, thanks and enjoy the show!



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Nadia Cheechoo (Head of Properties) is an Indigenous woman from Wikwemikong, Ontario. She is back at Magnus Theatre, adding yet another position to her repertoire. She has had previous props experience working in film, but this is her first time in this position at Magnus. With carpentry and wardrobe already under her belt, she's ready to continue honing old and new skills. Then she plans to carry those skills into future shows, theatres, and film projects. Magnus Theatre has been a major stepping stone in her career as an artist, and she hopes to continue to share her skills with them and others.



David A. Brown (Head Carpenter) joined Magnus five seasons ago as the head carpenter after working as the canoe builder /shipwright at Old Fort William for 40 years. Canoe and boat building were his main jobs but Dave wore many hats while at the Fort and has been involved in many movie and television productions. From an "I-Max" production in the early 1980's to many commercials and print productions. Appearing in National Geographic and the National Enquirer in the same year. He was heavily involved in "Haunted Fort" building many props, animatronic effects and enjoys lighting things up as a "licensed pyrotechnician." Dave enjoys the new challenges at Magnus and is getting used to building square and level, he would still like everything to be curved like a canoe or boat.

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