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Remy Bumppo Theatre Company Announces Casting and Production Team for ROUTES by Rachel De-lahay Directed by Mikael Burke

CHICAGO – Remy Bumppo Theatre Company is pleased to announce the casting and design team for the final show in its 2022 Season, ROUTES by Rachel De-lahay and directed by Mikael Burke. The show will run from October 12 through November 20, 2022 at Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Avenue in Chicago.

October 12 - November 20, 2022 at Theater Wit

Olufemi hopes to return home to his family. Bashir wants to remain in the only home he knows. Kola yearns to find home in a place that's never felt like one. Rachel De-lahay's shattering, urgent new play looks through the eyes of immigrants, refugees, and children in conflict with the law as they fight to get home through an impossibly complex system designed to keep them out.

ROUTES will feature Terry Bell (Remy Bumppo Core Ensemble Member) Yao Dogbe, Kristin E. Ellis, Evelyn Lockley, Kevin Tre'von Patterson and TJ Thomas. Designs for this production will feature work by Bindu Poroori (Dramaturg), Mara Zinky (Scenic Design), Gregory A. Graham (Costume Design), Eric Watkins (Lighting Design), Peter Clare (Sound Design), Amanda Herrmann (Properties Design) and Sana Selemon (Dialect Coach).

Remy Bumppo Theatre Company's production of **ROUTES** will run from October 12 through November 20, 2022 at Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Avenue in Chicago. Subscriptions and single tickets are on sale at www.RemyBumppo.org or by calling the Theater Wit Box Office at 773.975.8150.

Remy Bumppo Theatre Company's 2022-2023 Presenting Sponsor is Geoffrey A. Anderson. Remy Bumppo Theatre Company's 2022-2023 Season Sponsors are Brenda and James Grusecki, Lynne and George Simon, and Charlotte Toerber

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PRODUCTION DETAILS:

Title: ROUTES

Written by: Rachel De-lahay

Director: Mikael Burke

Cast (in alphabetical order): **Terry Bell** (Bashir) **Yao Dogbe** (Olufemi), **Kristin E. Ellis** (Lisa), **Evelyn Lockley** (Anka), **Kevin Tre'von Patterson** (Abiola) and **TJ Thomas** (Kola).

Understudy Cast (in alphabetical order): Maya Jahan Abram (U/S Lisa), Kevin Aoussou (U/S Abiola), Tamarus Harvell (U/S Bashir), Benjamin Jenkins (U/S Olufemi), Lucas Looch Johnson (U/S Kola), Amanda Winston (U/S Anka)

Artistic Director: **Marti Lyons**Stage Manager: **Lucy Whipp**Assistant Director: **Alex Dauphin**

Assistant Stage Manager: Cecilia Koloski

Production Manager: Ellen Willett
Technical Director: Harrison Ornelas
Dramaturg: Himabindu Poroori
Scenic Designer: Mara Zinky

Costume Designer: **Gregory Graham**Assistant Costume Designer: **Aija Moreno**

Lighting Designer: Eric Watkins

Assistant Lighting Designer: Liz Gomez

Sound Designer: Peter Clare

Properties Designer: Amanda Herrmann

Dialect Coach: Sana Selemon
Scenic Charge Artist: Trent Jones
Sound Engineer: Andrew Littleton
Head Electrician: Devin Sullivan

Wardrobe Supervisor: Gabi Sitze-Martin

Casting Director: Katie Galetti

Casting Associate: Jasmine B. Gunter

Creative Producer, Company Management, Covid Compliance Officer: Christina

Casano

Location: **Theater Wit**, 1229 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL 60657

Dates: Previews: Wednesday, October 12 - October 15, 2022 at 7:30pm; Sunday,

October 16, 2022 at 2:30pm

Press Performance: Thursday, October 20, 2022

Regular Run: Friday, October 21 - Sunday, November 20, 2022

Curtain Times: Thursdays - Saturdays at 7:30pm, Sundays at 2:30pm

Matinee Performances (other than Sundays): Saturday, October 29 at 2:30pm; Saturday, November 5 at 2:30pm; Saturday, November 12 at 2:30pm; Thursday,

November 17 at 2:30pm

Audio Description/Touch Tour Performance: Saturday, October 29, 2022; Touch Tour

starts at 1:00pm, and the performance starts at 2:30pm

Open Caption Performance: Saturday, November 5, 2022 at 2:30pm

Tickets: <u>Previews:</u> \$30.00 <u>Regular Run:</u> \$32.00 - \$40.00

<u>Industry Tickets:</u> \$15.00, available for all performances <u>Student Tickets:</u> \$10.00, available for all performances

Group Discounts: Available for parties of 10 or more, call 773.975.8150



Top Row (L to R) - Terry Bell, Kristin E. Ellis, Yao Dogbe Bottom Row (L to R) - Evelyn Lockley, Kevin Tre'von Patterson and TJ Thomas.

ABOUT REMY BUMPPO THEATRE COMPANY:

Remy Bumppo Theatre Company expands and enriches their community's view of the world, and their own, by producing both the great plays of the past and the important plays of today. As an ensemble-driven theater company, Remy Bumppo authors a more humane culture that listens to, and seeks to understand, the voices, the ideas and the stories of one another. Since its inception in 1996, Remy Bumppo has produced a blend of modern classics and complex contemporary works, presented in an intimate setting with clarity, wit and passion. We invite audiences to engage directly with the art through conversation with the artists.