

LYT: Youth-Led Creative Hub

More than ever, our work is made by the young people we work with. The themes they have identified for this year's work are: Climate emergency, Mental Health & Youth Activism. Everything they create this year is linked to these themes.

WHAT'S COMING UP NEXT?

August 1st: 'What are YOU gonna do?' 5.30 to 7.30

LYT Members Committee invite you to a creative session exploring youth social action & issues important to them.

This is part of the My London: Youth Social Action project in Greenwich & Lewisham

August 5th : 'Time to Act' 6pm & 7.30pm shows

The Senior & Junior Devising Companies present their work-in-progress.

August 6th : 'Confession' 6pm

The Senior Acting Company present at Climate Home, Deptford

August 15th to 19th: 'Future Makers' 10am to 4pm

Theatre Centre will be running a FREE week of workshops at LYT for ages 16+. The week will build your creative skills, nurture your artistic ideas & connect with professional artists

September 13th: FRANTIC IGNITION 6 to 7.30pm

Frantic Assembly's Ignition is a nationwide talent development programme, seeking out underrepresented talent in unexpected places.

Frantic will deliver a taster workshop or all young people aged 16 to 24.

Are you interested in taking part in LYT or any of the opportunities?

Just speak to a core team member **or** get in touch
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Presents Junior Youth Theatre 12-14s in



by Helen Stanley & the Company
from an original idea by Pia Ashberry

Thursday 28th & Friday 29th July 2022



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The History of the play:

Pia wrote *Parched Lands* for us over 15 years ago when technology, computers & gaming were very different.

We did a second version, around 10 years ago. Still ahead of its time, this version saw LYT using projection in a show for the first time.

We started the 3rd incarnation of 'Parched Lands' in November 2020. Helen worked with our Junior writing group on zoom sessions and then in person. We did an online scratch performance in July 2021.

Then this year the final script was created working with the young people as writers & performers.

The young people felt a strong connection and empathy with the main character and the story. The play is about climate change and about how the worry of the future affects young people's mental health.

But, despite the serious subject, we've had fun!

It's been a great adventure & we hope you enjoy our 'new' version!

Helen Stanley, Artistic Director

Parched Lands

From an original idea by Pia Ashberry

Vanessa Anna Gomes
Carla Victoria Odofin
Gina Isis Johns
Laura Sara-Marie Ssali
Ross Jackson Barclay
Jackie Esme Green
Mum Subira Damali
Dad Deanie Phillips
Stevie Jim Burke
Phoenix Dorothy Warren
Griffin Savannah McKenzie
Nyxon Bruno Gomes
Nerys Jackson Barclay
Hood Sara-Marie Ssali
Proff Ciyara Ferreira-Pollack
Gina-ius Joe Gregory
Davus Rashbeck Amazing Kousassi
Princess Isabel Brooks
Tech-Nik Holly Akpotor

And thanks to Amelia, James & David who took part but were unable to perform.

Directors:

Angus Scott-Miller
Lakeisha Lynch-Stevens

Directing Assistants:

Micah Ologbenla & Stella Aboaba

Designer

Anna Yates

Design Assistants

Joe Gregory, Pierce Duncan,

Magdalena Kowal

Producer

Nicole Alison

Stage Manager

Aoife Brennan

Technician

Galina Rin

Technical Assistant

Rufus King-Dabbs

LYT Technical Crew

Alex Leek, Sarah Jane Ferguson,
Dana Alpiste Hurtado, Pierce Duncan

The Writing Group

**Savannah Mackenzie, Joe Gregory, Holly Akpotor,
Samantha Kiwanuka, Pierce Duncan,
Leah Okubanjo, Courtney Spencer
and Helen Stanley.**

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LYT Staff

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