

THICK AS THIEVES: THE RELATIONSHIP PLAYS

The 2022 Playback Show - October 14 and 15, Five Angels Theater

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Thank you for coming to **THICK AS THIEVES** If you are not on our mailing list, join on-line at www.52project.org. If you're interested in being a volunteer, fill out the form below and hand it to one of our staffers in the lobby.

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THICK AS THIEVES: THE RELATIONSHIP PLAYS

All original music composed by Kim Jinhyoung

PEEPS AND PULITZERS

Written by Lanai Blake-Soden, age 14. Directed by Jenelle Chu.

Relationship: Co-workers

Liv Lanai Blake-Soden
Ginny Jenelle Chu
Voice of Boss Katie Bartz

We're Waiting lyrics by Lanai Blake-Soden

FUNKY 48

Written by Andrew Moore, age 13. Directed by Jonathan Dimas.

Relationship: Neighbors

Mark's Rap and John and Calvin's Rap lyrics by Andrew Moore

BROKEN LEG

Written by Hanna Brea, age 13. Directed by Kendal Hartse.

Relationship: Teammates

Soccer Fights lyrics by Hanna Brea

A MORTAL MORAL DILEMMA

Written by Alex Breton, age 14. Directed by Gardiner Comfort.

Relationship: Partners in crime

More to Life lyrics by Alex Breton









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MONEY DEFINITELY POSITIVELY 100 PERCENT DOESN'T BUY HAPPINESS

Written by Olive Moayed, age 13. Directed by Angel Desai.

Relationship: BFFs

| D-748315269 | Olive Moayed |
|-------------|----------------|
| Ezra | Angel Desai |
| A-647321 | Magalis Fabian |

Well, This Is Fun lyrics by Olive Moayed

THE TRUTH ABOUT DRAGONS AND POLAR BEARS

Written by Adolfo Sinchi, age 13. Directed by Kyle Cameron.

Relationship: Family

| Tim, a would-be polar bear tamer | Adolfo Sinchi |
|--|---------------|
| George, a dragon tamer | |
| Mrs. Flamesalot (Mom) | • |
| Mr. Flamesalot (Dad) | |
| Billy, a 10 year-old dragon tamer | |
| Earth or Polar Bears lyrics by Adolfo Sinchi | _ |

OLD FRIENDS

Written by Peter Muca, age 15. Directed by Charlie O'Rourke.

Relationship: Old Friends

| Jack, a samurai | Peter Muca |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Sam, a mafia boss | Charlie O'Rourke |
| Henchman | Sarah Lopez |

Violence Always Finds a Way lyrics by Peter Muca







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What's Going On Here?

The 52nd Street Project is a non-profit organization that brings children from the Hell's Kitchen neighborhood together with professional theater artists to create original theater. **THICK AS THIEVES** is a production of our Playback program, which is designed to give children the opportunity to enjoy the undivided attention of a professional theater artist who serves as friend, mentor, and collaborator.

This edition continues our in-person return of children to The 52nd Street Project Clubhouse and The Five Angels Theater. We normally would have taken the students to the country, but this is not possible yet. However, we are delighted and grateful to be working with them in a live, present way.

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WHAT'S COMING UP?



Come see what kids can do when they team up with adult professional performers!

Friday, Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m.

8 Plays written by kids and performed by adult actors! Friday, December 9th & Saturday, Dec.10th Live at the Five Angels Theater or livestreamed on YouTube! Visit www.52project.org for more details!

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR PODCAST!

A monthly online event created by Garrett Kim, John Sheehy, and your favorite kid/adult team-ups. Go to the podcast section of the iTunes Store and search for "The 52nd Street Project" or "PROJcast."



BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR INTERNS!



If you know of any college or graduate students who might enjoy working with us and playing with us for a semester, please have them contact Caylyn Creager (creager@52project.org). We are currently looking for interns for the Spring and Summer of 2023. Thanks!

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