THE 52ND STREET PROJECT PRESENTS

2023 ensemble SHOW

> FRIDAY, JUNE 2 AT 7:30 PM SATURDAY, JUNE 3 AT 3:00 PM

THE FIVE ANGELS
THEATER

KAT ALMIRAÑEZ, ASSOCIATE ARTISTIC DIRECTOI NATALIE HIRSCH, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

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"EYE OF THE STORM" Production Staff

Teen Ensemble Director

Kat Almirañez

Eye of the Storm Co-Directors

Mars Gleberman and Ana Gonzalez-Soto (with an assist from Xavier Espinal on "Aftermath")

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Bri Weintraub

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Evan Schultz

Costume Designer

Ally Thomas (with assists from Amirah Hancock and Ana Gonzalez-Soto)

Backstage Crew

Gus Reale

House Management

Carol Ochs, John Sheehy













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The 52nd Street Project Teen Ensemble

Naseem Abdul-Majeed Aengus O'Donnell
Kylee Chester Yovely Ramirez
Melanie Correa Christian Santoni
Xavier Espinal Ahmed Shabana
Amirah Hancock
Daniel Henk Kass Sinchi
Sarah Lopez Faith Villanueva

Over the course of the academic year, the Teen Ensemble, which is made up of Project members in high school, have been meeting once a week and practicing collaborative theater process. This has included improvisation, theater design, technical theater, and playbuilding. The culmination of all their work is EYE OF THE STORM, an original play devised and performed by the Teen Ensemble and co-directed by adults. In this production, the Teen Ensemble explores the questions: What are the storms in our lives? Who is impacted by these storms? How are we preparing for what's ahead?

PLEASE NOTE: This show contains mature language, talk of self-harm, and depictions of drug use and violence. Recommended for ages 13 and older.

LE INFORMAMOS: Este programa contiene lenguaje maduro, conversaciones sobre autolesiones y representaciones de uso de drogas y violencia. Recomendado para mayores de 13 años en adelante.

Opening: Entire cast Stage 1: Christian Santoni

Relationship

Peter	Daniel Henk
Mia	Kass Sinchi
Jenelle	Kylee Chester
Carlie	Melanie Correa

Monologue: Sherman (Xavier Espinal)

Growing Up

Friend	Ahmed Shabana
	Daniel Henk
Storm	Kass Sinchi
Storm	Kylee Chester

Monologue: JazLinn (Melanie Correa)

(Cycl)one, part 1 &	2 2
Ross	Aengus O'Donnell
Becca	Kylee Chester
Rodrigo	Christian Santoni
Max	Xavier Espinal
Teacher	Kass Sinchi
Monologue: Carla (Saral	h Lopez)
Under Pressure	
Ross	Aengus O'Donnell
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EnsembleAhmed Shaba	
	and Yovely Ramirez
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Stage 3: Melanie Correa

(Cycl)one, part 4 & 5

Ross	Angus O'Donnell
Becca	Kylee Chester
	Christian Santoni
	Xavier Espinal
Teacher	Kass Sinchi
	Over/Under
Reira	Amirah Hancock
Max	Xavier Espinal
Rodrigo	Christian Santoni
Ensemble	Aengus O'Donnell, Yovely Ramirez
Bre	eaking Point, part 4
	Melanie Correa
Nikki	Yovely Ramirez
	Aftermath
Rodrigo	Christian Santoni
Ms. V., teacher	Faith Villanueva
Carla	Sarah Lopez
Mahammad	Ahmed Shahana

Closing: Entire Company



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Two-tone Project Hoodie	\$40.00
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Crew-neck sweatshirts	\$20.00
Project Caps	\$20.00
Project T-shirts	\$12.00/\$20.00
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Project Pencil 3-pack	\$1.00

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