



PRESS RELEASE

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Spare Tyre present an inc.Theatre Ensemble / HotPots production

Feeble Minds

Devised and performed by inc.Theatre Ensemble and HotPots

Feeble Minds tells the story of a world in chaos, intoxicated with greed and lust. The play explores the topical dilemma of taking risks and is inspired by Shakespeare's Timon of Athens. The production will include physical theatre and spoken word and features a multi media back drop. **Feeble Minds** is a comical, moving piece which explores questions of moral values.

For the first time **Spare Tyre** brings together their two companies, the **inc.Theatre Ensemble** - artists with learning disabilities and **HotPots**, - artists aged over 60. A collaboration between young and old people from diverse backgrounds including people with learning and physical disabilities, dementia, autism and sensory impairments.

Arti Prashar, Artistic Director of **Spare Tyre** and director of **Feeble Minds** says "This play will question our responses to insatiable consumerism and spirituality. It is a play for today as we reel from the bankers risk taking and try and find solace in reality TV. To misquote Shakespeare:

To sin or not to sin is a very good question
Whether it's better to live by our morals
Or take a risk on outrageous fortune"

Spare Tyre past productions include a London-wide tour of Dark Inc and Angina Monologues. Spare Tyre provides voiceless communities with an opportunity to share their life stories, create high quality theatre and challenge social prejudice.

Feeble Minds treads the fine line between sanity and madness.

NOTES FOR EDITORS

Feeble Minds will be performed from 10th – 25th July

The Albany, Deptford from the 10 July: 2pm & 7.30pm, 11 July: 7.30pm, 14 July: 11.30am & 2pm, 16 July: 7.30pm, 17 July: 2pm & 7.30pm. The Albany, Douglas Way, Deptford, London, SE8 4AG

Box Office: **020 8692 4446**, www.thealbany.org.uk

Followed by **Rich Mix**, Bethnal Green on 23 July: 7.30pm, 24 July: 2.00pm & 7.30pm and 25 July: 7.30pm. Rich Mix, 35 - 47 Bethnal Green Road, London E1 6LA.

Box Office: **020 7613 7498**, www.richmix.org.uk Tickets are £10 / £7 concessions / £5 groups 10+. There will be a post show discussion on the 16 & 23 July following the 7.30pm show.

The production is suitable for 14+ for further information please log on to www.sparetyretheatrecompany.co.uk or call 020 7419 7007

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