

COMPANY BIOS

DIRECTOR - Linnea Gwiazda (MFA, Simon Fraser University, BFA, Concordia University) is a choreographer, interdisciplinary artist, performer and director. Linnea used to work for the Montréal FRINGE Festival and was a collaborator and performer for Montréal contemporary dance and spoken word company, For Body And Light.

Linnea is the co-artistic director of O Albatross with Cory Thibert, her creative and life partner, and is a Teaching and Research Assistant at Simon Fraser University.

WRITER/PERFORMER - Cory Thibert is an award-winning actor, writer, filmmaker and storytelling champion. Cory is the co-artistic director of May Can Theatre, whose show Happiness™ was a runner up for BEST OF FEST at the Toronto Fringe in 2016. Cory directed the documentary On The Fringe which shares the experience of touring the Canadian Fringe Festival Circuit. While filming On The Fringe, he met Linnea Gwiazda and aside to being collaborators and co-artistic directors (O Albatross) they are also engaged to be married.

DRAMATURG - TJ Dawe is an award-winning writer, performer and director. TJ is a Canadian Fringe Festival legend, participating in more than one hundred Fringe Festivals in four countries. He co-wrote the play Toothpaste and Cigars, which has been made into the movie The F word, starring Daniel Radcliffe. A master of the "storytelling show", he teaches a course at Langara College on how to turn your stories and ideas in solo shows.

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