

## Still Your Friend: Company Bio

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Still Your Friend is a Toronto based theatre company that focuses on true, and mostly true, stories. It has created and produced 9 original works in the 12 years since its inception, touring to festivals across Canada.

### Onika Henry – Producer and Performer

Onika Henry is an actress and a teacher at a specialized school for “at risk” youth in Edmonton Alberta. She starred in 2021’s **Chanzo**, receiving 4.5 stars from the *Edmonton Journal*, and 2019’s **Balance Board** where she was also credited for her turns as a lawyer.

She learned of Still Your Friend Production when sharing a Fringe Venue with the company in 2019, when she saw Bailey in **Franz Ferdinand Must Die**, covering the history of the events leading up to World War One. In 2024 after seeing **All Hail Mrs. Satan** about the first woman to run for US President – she approached Adam Bailey and suggested that they work together to create a show that she could perform in.

### Adam Bailey – Writer and Director, Co-Producer

Adam Bailey, a Queer artist who had worked in Burlesque and Clown, founded Still Your Friend in 2014 to produce **The Assassination Of Robert Ford: Dirty Little Coward**, believing that the historical story of **Ed O’Kelley** served as an excellent parable for issues happening at the time. Since then, they have told the story of **Henri Rousseau**, **Gavrilo Princip**, and **Victoria Woodhall** – all underrepresented historical figures with relevance to today. They have also explored the history of romantic love in **The ABCs of Love with Adult Baby Cupid** and the idea of truth itself in **The Truth™** and explored personal stories with **Adam Bailey is On Fire**, and **Adam Bailey: My Three Deaths** – which earned a **Critic’s Pick**, **Patron’s Pick** last year as well as a **Jenny Award** in Winnipeg.

Bailey is thrilled to have had the chance to delve into the history of **Afeni Shakur** with Onika. Her story is under told, and it is a privilege to bring it to life.