

## **How did you find me here?**

*What would you be willing to give up to obtain your identity?*

**For immediate release/** The Alchemistic Theatre Company presents *How did you find me here?* part of the Toronto Fringe Festival. Recent graduate of the Humber Acting Conservatory, Brendan Chandler, premieres his debut play *How did you find me here?* Inspired by his creation project in Theatre School, Brendan explores themes of indigeneity, identity and search for his roots as a mixed aboriginal man in Canada.

*How did you find me here?* follows Bear, a young man in search of his identity as a mixed blood Canadian. He spends his days and nights wondering where he comes from and what his purpose in life is, but neglects his true identity. Bear is aboriginal and it's been 25 years since he's truly tried to connect with his heritage. To Bear - being aboriginal was just another part of his life, just like eating food; it was easily judged, looked over and not considered important. What he learns about being aboriginal in Canada comes with a past full of wounds, scars, and layers deeper than he could ever imagine. Through movement and minimal text Bear faces a part of his heritage that has been stifled, neglected and erased through colonization. *How did you find me here?* asks audiences to question their own identity as Canadians, how do we get back to our roots when they have been shut down and buried for all of our lives? This show is made for the people of Canada who have a mixed identity and are always searching to better understand themselves.

**Cast:** Brendan Chandler and Jessica Bowmer

### **Performance Schedule**

July 5th @ 8:45pm  
July 8th @ 5:45 pm  
July 10th @ 1:15 pm  
July 12th @ 7:30 pm  
July 14th @ 12:30pm  
July 15th @ 11pm  
July 16th @ 4:30pm

### **Location**

The Theatre Centre- The Franco Boni Theatre  
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