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## Theatre Gargantua & tiger princess dance projects present: Sleeping, Tucked in the lonely Purple

**Toronto, ON** – If we were all given the same map, would we individually arrive at the same destination? In a collaboration four years in the making, **Theatre Gargantua** and **tiger princess dance projects** are thrilled to announce the upcoming world premiere of **Sleeping, Tucked in the lonely Purple**, a collaboratively-created, lyrically moving dance expressing the lived experiences of senior artists.

Initially developed in early winter of 2020 under the shroud of pandemic restrictions that were particularly devastating and isolating for senior performers **Susan Applewhaite**, **Susan Cuthbert**, and **Harold Tausch** worked with Choreographer/Creator **Yvonne Ng**, each using the same 'map' of instructions, plan, and opportunities to arrive at three deeply personal and unique performances. **Sleeping**, **Tucked in the lonely Purple** unites these performances into a compelling exploration of identity that transcends age and proves that gathering for live performance is one of the best antidotes to isolation.

This show is presented through an exciting **community partnership** with the **Toronto Fringe** Festival which runs from July 6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. Sleeping, Tucked in the lonely Purple highlights a vital set of experiences that are often hidden from the public eye. Audiences of all ages will resonate with this work developed with Composer Nick Storring, Lighting Designer Samira Banihashemi and Costume Designer, Cheryl Lalonde.

**Theatre Gargantua** and **tiger princess dance projects** are artist-led companies which have each been producing work locally, nationally, and internationally for nearly 30 years and embrace ensemble-based creation methods. Both companies have been nominated for, and won, numerous Dora awards.

In the vibrant *Regent Park* neighbourhood, performances will take place at the beautiful and fully accessible **Aki Studio** (250 - 585 Dundas Street East) which anchors the Toronto Fringe's Eastern hub. With a run-time of 35 minutes, this show is presented as a *limited run*:

Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:45pm Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:45pm Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm – relaxed performance

## Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:45pm Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm – relaxed performance



**Tickets** will be available starting *June 22*, *2022* through the Toronto Fringe at <a href="https://fringetoronto.com/">https://fringetoronto.com/</a>

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