

MEDIA RELEASE
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**HORSESHOES
& HAND GRENADES
THEATRE**

Pull The Pin: A Political Evening of Performance, Discussion & Klezmer Punk

Special Guest Arthur Milner

Co-produced by Horseshoes & Hand Grenades Theatre and Newworld Theatre

7PM April 27, 2013 at PL Progress Lab (1422 William Street, Vancouver)

TICKETS: \$10 at <http://pullthepin.eventbrite.com> (Note: Advanced Sales Only)

IN BRIEF: A public engagement event involving artistic and political discussions on the ongoing issues and questions pertaining to the Israeli/Palestinian conflict. The central focus of this event will be a reading of *Facts*, a new political drama by Montreal Jewish playwright Arthur Milner. The play will be read by Marcus Youssef, Sean Devine and Parick Sabongui, directed by Marisa Smith. The event will also feature a performance from musician Geoff Berner and panelists from Seriously Free Speech, Independent Jewish Voices, the Canada Palestine Association, and the playwright Arthur Milner.

THE PLAY

"Tensions rise until ideologies and resentments pour out like sweat..." - Time Out London (Four stars and Critics' Choice)

Facts revolves around a joint Israeli/Palestinian police investigation over a killing in the West Bank in Palestine. A Christian-American archaeologist has been murdered, and the evidence points to a radical Israeli settler. Aside from the fact that the play's drama reflects an ongoing debate over the lack of objectivity in the ongoing Israeli/Palestinian conflict, it is still a chilling and taut political-crime thriller that is an exciting piece of drama on its own merits. What's exceptional, though, is that it offers a rare theatrical opportunity for both an Israeli and a Palestinian protagonist to wade through the greater political dilemma within the microcosm of a murder investigation. www.factstheplay.ca

ABOUT HORSESHOES & HAND GRENADES THEATRE

Horseshoes & Hand Grenades Theatre creates and produces original theatre, ranging from new Canadian works to pieces from the international repertoire. HHG Theatre is committed to the pillars of story, investigation, collaboration and artistic risk. Never afraid to shine light into darkness, we create theatre that reveals the vulnerable heart and champions the brave idea. www.horseshoesandhandgrenades.ca

ABOUT NEWORLD THEATRE

Newworld Theatre is an award-winning Vancouver-based theatre company that creates, produces, and tours new plays and performance events. We use popular forms to tell stories that are as complicated and contradictory as the enormously small country we live in.. We ask artists and audiences to embrace work that challenges assumptions about the nature of theatre and its function in the world. www.newworldtheatre.com

ADDITIONAL ENTERTAINMENT AND INSPIRATION

Performance by Musician/Activist, Geoff Berner – www.geoffberner.com

Clips local and international award-winning documentary films, Info Booths hosted by Seriously Free Speech Vancouver, Independent Jewish Voices and Canada Palestine Association | Cash bar & catering by Tamam Fine Palestinian Cuisine

PANELISTS

Sheila Delany from Seriously Free Speech, Rabbi David Mivasair from Independent Jewish Voices, Hanna Kawas from Canada Palestine Association, and playwright Arthur Milner.

A RELATED EVENT

PTC presents a Playwrights Guild Reading from Arthur Milner, April 28, also at PL 1422. For info on this event contact Heidi Taylor at heidi@playwrightstheatre.com

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