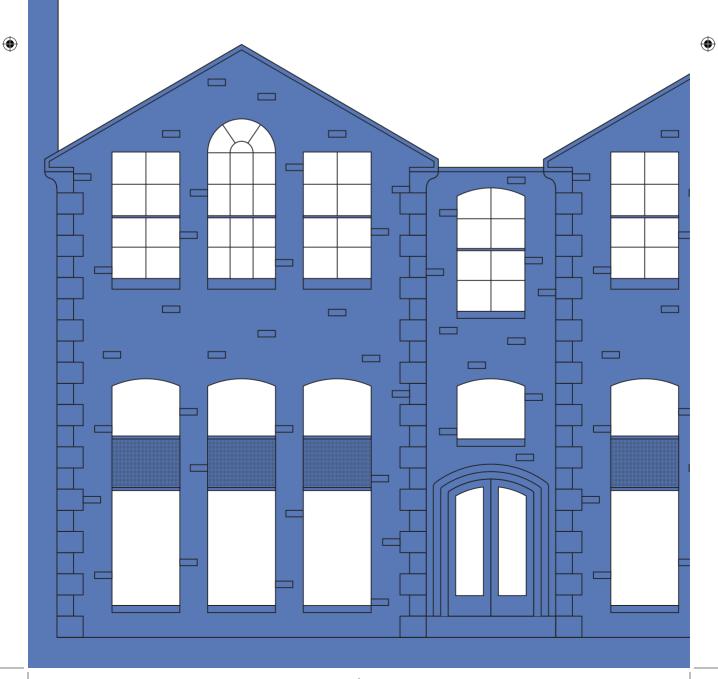


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Patrick and I welcome you warmly to the Manifesto Industry Showcase for the GSA graduating class of 2023, and we thank you for taking the time to attend.

For these students, the opportunity to stake a claim in the professional arena is always a proud if daunting step taken by every imminent graduate at showcase time. This year it comes with a heightened sense of triumph, for a group that began their studies somewhere aboard the Covid rollercoaster, and through strength, dedication and resilience have come out the other side ready for the world.

The Manifesto theatrical form embodies a key part of the school's ethos in seeking

to cultivate the expressive spark within each student, helping them to find a creative voice through their own distinctive instrument, and guiding them in thinking deeply about what matters to them as human beings in today's world.

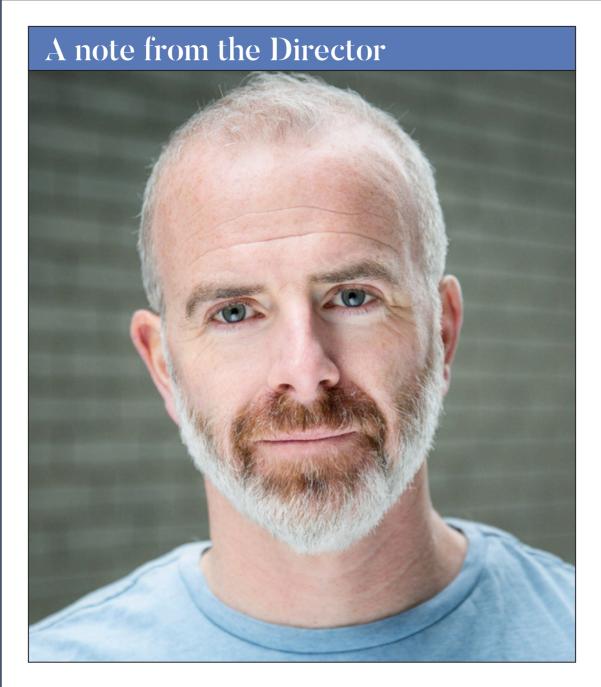
You will see short pieces of individual work by twenty-one actor/theatremakers, introducing themselves not only as castable actors, but as thinking, feeling artists on the verge of taking their places in society. We hope you enjoy meeting them.

Eric Weitz

- Associate Director







On behalf of the Gaiety School of Acting, I would like to welcome you to the Manifesto Showcase 2023. The showcase is an opportunity for our students to present work they have created over the course of this unique programme.

The Manifesto Programme is designed to encourage and enable students to create their own performance work. This process involves acting, writing, directing, devising, design and stage management. The culminate effect of working through these disciplines, while engaging with and exploring subject matters and formal questions that resonate with them, is that students become critical thinkers, problem solvers and more skilled theatre makers.

We hope they will continue on this path as they transition into the world of professional theatre. It has been a privilege to be a witness to their journey to date.

I would like to thank John King, Clare Monnelly, and Rex Ryan for their mentorship and guidance in preparation for today's showcase. I'd also like to thank Patrick Sutton and the staff of the Gaiety School of Acting for all their support.

A special word of thanks is due to John Delaney and the late Donal Courtney, both of whom held the reins on Manifesto here at the school for many years - shaping the course, adapting it to suit the temper of the time, monitoring and encouraging students, allowing them to grow and realise their potential. The quality of the work on show today is due in no small part to their efforts. This is also the first Manifesto showcase since the passing of Donal – a beloved friend and colleague, a deeply committed teacher and mentor. We are poorer in his absence.

Finally, I would like to thank you for your continued support and hope you enjoy today's showcase.

Alan Howley



GSA Staff

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Theatre History | James Hickson and Shadaan Felfeli

Manifesto Alan Howley
I A Clown Raymond Keane

Audition Technique / Stage Craft | Gene Rooney, Clare Maguire and

Andrea Scott

Mime | Sharon O'Doherty

Stage Combat | Ciaran O'Grady, Jay Cosgrave

Dance & Tap Diane Richardson Gene Rooney

Movement Libby Seward

Voice / Singing | Mark Downey

Showcase Crew

Directed By Manifesto Mentors

Videographer Light & Sound

Stage Manager

Alan Howley

Clare Monnelly, Rex Ryan & John King

Thom McDermott

Jess Fitzsimons Kane

Sarah Wiley

Running order:

A Siren Song

Room 349

Anthropoid

Three Loud Knocks

Newton's Cradle

QUAYS

Perdue Ensemble

Sunshine and Rainbows

Moment

Peaceful here now

Vanished

Fighting Fit

Sex on the Beach

Bella Daniela & Lulu Kilroy

Jack H O'Brien (featuring Leia Murphy)

Jody Fitzpatrick (featuring Danuta Pilka)

Rebecca Lynch

Carl Maher & Cian Colbert (featuring Jack H O'Brien)

Kayleigh Horan & Lara Meek

Leia Murphy & Morgan Savidan

Katie-May Byrne

Laura Gaska & Saorla Rodger (featuring Josh Winters & Morgan Savidan)

Lynda Smyth, Meghan Reid & Sasha Sharma

Danuta Pilka

Josh Winters

Donnagh Mayock & Maria Cunningham

Let's meet the Class of 2023...





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Sunshine and Rainbows

And the Goblin squatting in the shed.

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Sex on the Beach

The sand would get everywhere.

I'd still try it though. Yeah, me too





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Anthropoid

Do our choices define who we are, or are we merely the sum of our actions?





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Newton's Cradle

He saved the women he loved, and his best friend... kind of.

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A Siren Song

Caution. Man drowned in the hands of seducing sea creatures. Turn back before you get too close.





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Moment

When time stands still, imagination and reality blur and we are faced with a choice: what is or what could be?





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QUAYS

Two Lassies go out for a pint. It's never just one, is it?

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Three Loud Knocks

What was the story with the woman in the wood? Was she mad? Was she bad? Or was she just misunderstood?





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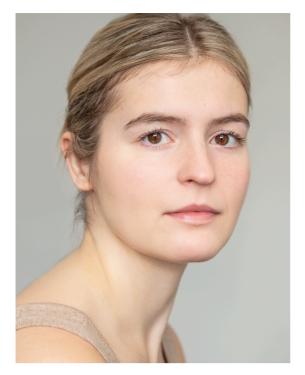
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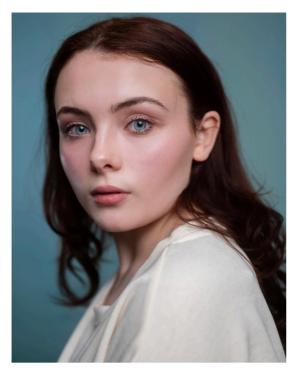
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QUAYS

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Perdu Ensemble

Why does this shoe fit? Why does this shoe fit? Why does *this* shoe fit?

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VANISHED

Where do we go when we get lost?.





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When time stands still, imagination and reality blur and we are faced with a choice: what is or what could be?





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Peaceful here now

Which is worse: no words or senseless words? There's no way out either way.





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FIGHTING FIT

A journey to a hidden sanctuary we already know.



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