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New Ohio Theatre and TÉA Artistry present

Being Chaka

an Archive Residency premiere

in partnership with IRT Theatre

May 6 – 27

Created by **Chuk Obasi, Vieve Radha Price, Tara Amber, Nalini Sharma, and Talya Mar**

Written by **Tara Amber, Chuk Obasi, and Nalini Sharma**

Directed by **Vieve Radha Price and Chuk Obasi**

Produced by **TÉA Artistry and Mieka Stang**

Stage Manager & Production Manager: **Leslie Huynh**

Stage Manager: **Ricky Brown**

Scenic Designer & Costume Consultant: **Nora Marlow Smith**

Lighting Designer: **Andre Segar**

Kunzang - **Tara Amber**

Caroline - **Joey Brenneman**

Ethan - **Colin DePaula***

Maddy - **Annie Hartkemeyer***

Purilla - **LaWanda Hopkins**

Willy - **Jae Jackson**

Annalisa - **Joy Kelly***

Ms. K - **Amanda Marikar**

Gunnar - **Chuck Montgomery***

Chaka - **Kahiem Rivera**

Inaya - **Miriam Tabb**

*these Actors appear courtesy of Actors' Equity Association

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ABOUT NEW OHIO THEATRE

Over the last 29 years New Ohio Theatre has established itself as an indispensable pillar of the downtown theater community by developing and presenting bold, innovative work from NYC's diverse independent theatre community. We believe the best of this community, the small artist-driven ensembles and the daring producing companies that operate without a permanent theatrical home, are actively expanding the boundaries of what theatre is, how it is made, and who makes it. We recognize structural inequalities exist and can deny individuals access to opportunities due to race, gender, disability, age, class, and sexual orientation, and we work to counter these inequalities. We strengthen, nurture, and promote this community, providing a high-profile platform for downtown's most mature, ridiculous, engaging, irreverent, gut wrenching, frivolous, sophisticated, foolish, and profound theatrical endeavors, for NYC's most adventurous theater audiences.

Help us develop and present the best of New York's independent theatre scene by making a tax deductible contribution at newohiotheatre.org

NEW OHIO THEATRE STAFF

Artistic Director: Robert Lyons

Creative Producer: Jaclyn Biskup

Interim General Manager: Michelle Cowles

Production Manager: Leslie Huynh

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TÉA Artistry (2022-2023)

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New Ohio Theatre stands in support of the Black Lives Matter movement. We commit to fighting against those inflicting violence on Black communities, to wrestling with new questions, and holding ourselves more accountable as we move forward to a better future. If you would like to donate to support the fight for justice and equality, please [click here](#) to learn about one of our favorite organizations supporting Black trans lives.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

New Ohio Theatre is situated on the Lenape island of Mannahattan. We pay respect to Lenape peoples and ancestors past, present, and future, and acknowledge our reliance on the land and waters of Lenapehoking, the Lenape homeland.

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