



**HOTBED
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FESTIVAL
2017**

What country, friends, is this?

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**CAMBRIDGE
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 **menagerie**

Full Production

Jigsaw Pieces:

What country, friends, is this?

World première: short plays by Steve Waters, Jane Upton and Craig Baxter

Nine short pieces responding to the question: *What country, friends, is this?* Funny, moving and relevant responses to THE question of our time. Performed throughout the day in various combinations... finishing up with a large scale promenade performance.

Performances throughout the day -
20 minute shows
£3 per show (includes booking fee)

Time: 9pm – 10pm
Promenade performance of all pieces
£5 (includes booking fee)

Staged Reading

New plays by Menagerie Young Writers

A collection of new one act plays from The Menagerie Young Writers' Group, especially developed for Hotbed.

Exit Poll by Tom Field

Plastic Bags by Rachel Tookey

Time: 10.00am – 11.00am
Staged reading of two plays
Free (but ticketed with £1 booking fee)

The Etymology of Love by Philip Webb Gregg
Steam by Sammy Mann

Time: 11.30am – 12.30pm
Reading of two plays
Free (but ticketed with £1 booking fee)



Staged Reading

Nest

by Rayna Haralambieva

Two strangers meet and the exchange between them leaves a lasting mark on their lives. *Nest* explores the intriguing consequences of this chance encounter.

Time: 1pm – 1.30pm
Free (but ticketed with £1 booking fee)

Workshop

Writers' Workshop

led by James McDermott

Explore your ideas or find your voice in this practical playwriting workshop. James will also perform his own work (*Rubber Ring*) later in the evening.

Workshop for early stage writers

Time: 1.30pm – 3.30pm
£5 (includes booking fee)

Full Production

The Museum of Us

performed by Coleridge Community College students

A performance installation by students from Coleridge Community College, all about their creative relationship to Cambridge. This is a unique collaboration (Activate) between the students and six Cambridge cultural organisations: Menagerie, Cambridge Junction, NIE, Fitzwilliam Museum, Kettles Yard and The Museum of Cambridge.

Time: 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Free (but ticketed with £1 booking fee)



Staged Reading

The Letting Agent

by Janice Okoh

A Landlord, a Tenant and a Letting Agent: three people, three interweaving stories, three points of view. Who is right? The housing crisis under the microscope with a comedy tone.

Award-winning playwright Janice Okoh (Bruntwood Award Winner 2011), author of Menagerie's *Egusi Soup*

Staged reading of a 'work in progress' prior to full production in 2018

Time: 5pm – 6.15pm

Free (but ticketed with £1 booking fee)



Full production
(final stage 'work in progress')

Sanguine Night

by Bushra Laskar

A Boilerroom production directed by Vanessa-Faye Stanley

On a faded grand estate in central India, a family of five women are determined to survive in a landscape ravaged by a terrible accident, but an uninvited guest arrives on their threshold to disrupt their precariously balanced house of cards.

A response to the rarely discussed 1984 Bhopal Union Carbide disaster - the largest man-made industrial accident of modern times - this play combines Western music and science with Indian folklore and dance to deliver a tale of globalisation and resilience to reach across cultures.

Supported by ACE, Old Vic NewVoices, Park Theatre and Ovalhouse.

Time: 6.30pm – 7.30pm

£5 (includes booking fee)

Full Production

Rubber Ring

written and performed by James McDermott

Jimmy is sixteen, sexually confused and stuck in Sheringham. He's screwed. Well he's not actually: that's the problem. Where can Jimmy explore in Norfolk? Rock pools? So when pop star Morrissey comes to London, Jimmy flees to the city to try and find his hero and himself.

Time: 8pm – 8.55pm

£5 (includes booking fee)

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Tickets and How To Book:

Online: www.junction.co.uk
Tel: 01223 511511

Individually priced tickets:
£3-£5 with some free events

Day ticket:
£15

Buy in person from:
Cambridge Junction,
Clifton Way,
Cambridge CB1 7GX

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Box Office opening hours:
Mon-Sat 10am-6pm and for events.

All prices shown include a booking fee.

For further show information,
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