



Midland Actors Theatre and University of Aberdeen present

DOROTHY HEATHCOTE NOW INTERNATIONAL DRAMA CONFERENCE

5-8 OCTOBER 2023

at School of Education, MacRobert Building, King's College
University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen AB24 5UA



DRAMA STRATEGIES AND CONVENTIONS

SCHEDULE

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THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER: APPLIED PRACTICES DAY (1)

Drama strategies and conventions in education and beyond

8.30am – 9.00am	Registration
9am – 10am	INTRODUCTION TO DOROTHY HEATHCOTE'S APPROACHES TO DRAMA IN EDUCATION AND WIDER PEDAGOGICAL PRACTICES Panel with David Allen, Tim Taylor, Jonothan Neelands, Tony Goode, Cecily O'Neill, Pam Bowell, David Montgomery & Jonathan Jones. Chair: Will Barlow
10.15am – 12 noon	WORKSHOP GROUPS (Delegates choose one workshop group for the whole day) GROUP 1: Tim Taylor: Mantle of the Expert in schools GROUP 2: Iona Towler Evans & Roberta Luchini Boschi: Mantle of the Expert in schools and in Theatre in Education GROUP 3: Cecily O'Neill: Drama and Text GROUP 4: Jonothan Neelands & Tony Goode: Drama Strategies and Conventions GROUP 5: David Montgomery & Jonathan Jones
12 noon – 1pm	Lunch
1pm – 3.00pm	WORKSHOP GROUPS CONTINUED In this session, Workshop Groups 1 & 2 (Tim Taylor and Iona Towler Evans / Roberta Boschi) will participate in drama workshops with primary school classes. In this session, Workshop Group 3 will be led by David Allen, Will Barlow and Stig A. Eriksson.
3.00pm – 3.15	Break
3.15 – 4pm	PLENARIES There will be two plenaries: Workshop Groups 1 & 2 Workshop Groups 3, 4 & 5

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FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER: APPLIED PRACTICES DAY (2)

Theatre work with, for, and by young people and adults

9.30am – 10.00am	Registration
10am – 11am:	PANEL DISCUSSION with Gary Gardiner, Lucy Gaizley, Dougie Irvine, Selina Busby & Sylvan Baker. Chairs: David Allen & Will Barlow
11am – 11.15am	Break
11.15am – 1pm	WORKSHOP GROUPS (Delegates choose one workshop group for the whole day) GROUP 1: Selina Busby and Sylvan Baker GROUP 2: Gary Gardiner & Lucy Gaizley GROUP 3: Douglas Irvine
1pm – 2pm	Lunch
2pm - 4pm	WORKSHOP GROUPS CONTINUED GROUP 1: Selina Busby and Sylvan Baker GROUP 2: Gary Gardiner & Lucy Gaizley GROUP 3: Douglas Irvine
4pm – 5pm	PLENARY

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CONFERENCE WEEKEND: 7 – 8 OCTOBER

Drama Strategies and Conventions DAY ONE: SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER

9.30am – 10.00am	Registration
10am – 11am	DRAMA CONVENTIONS AND STRATEGIES: PANEL DISCUSSION with Jonothan Neelands, Tony Goode, Cecily O'Neill & Stig A. Eriksson. Chairs: David Allen, Will Barlow
11am – 11.15am	Break
11.15am – 1pm	EXPLORATORY WORKING GROUPS: SESSION ONE * (Delegates choose one Working Group for the whole weekend) GROUP 1: Iona Towler Evans and Roberta Luchini Boschi: Signs, Conventions, and Episodes GROUP 2: David Allen: Conventions in "The Treatment of Dr. Lister" GROUP 3: Lisa Hinton, Richard Kieran & Tim Taylor: Drama Conventions in Mantle of the Expert GROUP 4: Selina Busby & Sylvan Baker: Drama Conventions in Applied Theatre
1pm – 2pm	Lunch
2pm – 3pm	EXPLORATORY WORKING GROUPS: SESSION TWO
3pm - 3.15pm	Break
3.15pm – 5.15pm	PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS: ONE ** (There are two Practical Workshop sessions – one today, and one tomorrow. Delegates choose one workshop now, and a different one for tomorrow) WORKSHOP 1: Cecily O'Neill WORKSHOP 2: Jonothan Neelands & Tony Goode WORKSHOP 3: David Montgomery & Jonathan Jones WORKSHOP 4: Gary Gardiner, Lucy Gaizley & Douglas Irvine WORKSHOP 5: Stig A. Eriksson

FOLLOWED BY LATE AFTERNOON AND EVENING PERFORMANCES OF HIDDEN BY VISIBLE FICTIONS, AND EVENING SHOWING OF FILMS BY 21COMMON PLUS CEILIDH (8:30PM)

DAY TWO: SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER

9.30am – 10.00am	Coffee
10am – 12 noon	EXPLORATORY WORKING GROUPS: SESSION THREE
12 noon – 1pm	Lunch
1pm – 3pm	PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS: TWO Choose from WORKSHOP 1: Cecily O'Neill WORKSHOP 2: Jonothan Neelands & Tony Goode WORKSHOP 3: David Montgomery & Jonathan Jones WORKSHOP 4: Gary Gardiner, Lucy Gaizley & Douglas Irvine WORKSHOP 5: Stig A. Eriksson
3pm – 4pm	PLENARY

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THE HIDDEN BY VISIBLE FICTIONS

* ABOUT THE EXPLORATORY WORKING GROUPS

There will be four working groups. You will join a group, and stay with the same group throughout. Groups will meet together for three sessions over the two days.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

** ABOUT THE PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS

The workshops are designed to be self-contained. The first workshop session will take place on Saturday (3.15pm) and the second on Sunday (10am). You will be asked to choose which workshops you would like to attend.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

ABOUT THE VENUE

School of Education, MacRobert Building, King's College University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen AB24 5UA





TRAVEL TO ABERDEEN

You can fly direct by plane to Aberdeen Airport from numerous UK airports, as well as from Dublin, Amsterdam, Bergen, Tenerife, and Faro. The airport is approximately 25 minutes from the city centre by taxi.

You can get direct trains to Aberdeen from Glasgow and Edinburgh, and from other towns in Scotland. From Glasgow and Edinburgh, the journey takes approximately 2 hours 45 minutes.

There are also bus services to Aberdeen from Glasgow and Edinburgh; the journey takes 3 hours or more.

ACCOMMODATION

Nearby hotels (approx. £60+ per room per night) include

PREMIER INN, Inverlair House, West North Street, AberdeenAB24 5AS

TRAVELODGE ABERDEEN CENTRAL, 9 Bridge St, Aberdeen AB11 6JL

IBIS ABERDEEN CENTRE – QUAYSIDE, 15 Shiprow, Aberdeen AB11 5BY

MERCURE ABERDEEN CALEDONIAN HOTEL, 10 -14 Union Terrace, Aberdeen AB10 1WE

LEONARDO HOTEL ABERDEEN, Union Square, Guild St, Aberdeen AB11 5RG

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