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LKTYP Closes Season with *Ensemble '09* Production, *AS IF*

Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People will round-out the season with a twisted take on the Shakespearean classic, *As You Like It*, entitled ***AS IF***, re-imagined and adapted by **Elizabeth Saunders**. *AS IF* is a production of LKTYP Senior Drama School programme, ***The Ensemble***, and will be presented in The Studio from May 6 to 10, 2009.

A group of high school students, bound by fast-paced communications and social expectations, suddenly finds itself in Shakespeare's Forest of Arden, living out many adventures from Shakespeare's *As You Like It*, as well as a few situations of their own. In the Forest they must adapt to a new natural environment where modern social rules and tools don't apply – all the while speaking Shakespeare's English. Where the environment is different, new possibilities arise. These kids discover they need to take risks, break the rules, dive in and experience what life is like – *AS IF*.

The Ensemble '09 includes cast members **Neil Babcock, Elisabetta Bianchini, Adrienne Collins, Seema Emami, Riel Hishon, Michael Laskaris, Gregory Maleme, Krystal Nausbaum, Shanice Richards**, and production sound apprentice **Matthew Fields**. Directed by **Elizabeth Saunders**, the creative team includes Set & Props Designer **Camellia Koo**, Costume Designer **Mary Fulford-Winsor**, Lighting Designer **Kimberly Purtell** and Sound Designer **Lyon Smith**.

AS IF

Based upon the play *As You Like It*, by **William Shakespeare**

Re-imagined & adapted for *The Ensemble* by **Elizabeth Saunders**; Directed by **Elizabeth Saunders**

Recommended for ages 13 & up

Supported by **Scotiabank Group**

Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People | 165 Front Street East, Toronto | STUDIO: May 6-10

MEDIA OPENING: Thursday, May 7 at 7pm.

TICKETS: \$10 | Students \$5 | 416 862-2222 | Schedule and online tickets: lktyp.ca

ABOUT THE ENSEMBLE: 2009 marks the 4th year of LKTYP's advanced training program for High School students. This performance and production apprentice programme offers participants the opportunity to train, rehearse, produce and perform the play that closes our 43rd Season. Performers work directly with the brightest lights of Toronto's professional and independent theatre scene. Production Apprentices are professionally-mentored by Toronto's award-winning designers and production innovators.

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