

# Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People

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## Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People presents World Premiere of New Musical by Multi Award-winning Composer-librettist, Leslie Arden

LKTYP is proud to present the World Premiere of **Leslie Arden's *The Princess & the Handmaiden***. Directed by **Allen MacInnis**, this funny and witty musical will be presented on the Mainstage from November 15 to December 30, 2009 – a delightful holiday treat!

*Mean Girls* meets the Brothers Grimm in this modern take on *The Goose Girl* fairy tale about a pampered princess and her hard-working handmaiden. As the two girls set off on a quest to save an ailing king in a far away land, the handmaiden plots to take the place of the princess. Once the two girls have switched positions in life, they find out how the other half lives and each discovers that the grass isn't necessarily greener on the other side. Arden's clever story touches on themes of loyalty and friendship – with a magic potion, a handsome but rather silent prince, and a chorus of singing sheep thrown in for good measure!

***The Princess & the Handmaiden*** features a stellar cast of ten with **Susan Henley** (Maggie), **George Masswohl** (Captain), **Larry Mannell** (Bob), **Sharron Matthews** (Narrator), **Tracey Michailidis** (Handmaiden), **Julain Molnar** (Waiting Maid 2), **Jonathan Tan** (Conrad), **Regan Thiel** (Princess), **Andrew Stelmack** (Will) and **Karen Wood** (Waiting Maid 1).

The creative team includes Musical Director **Diane Leah**, Music Arranger **Greg Diakun**, Choreographer **Jane Johanson**, Set Designer **David Boehler**, Costume Designer **Dana Osborne**, Lighting Designer **Bonnie Beecher** and Sound Designer **Michael Laird**.

Leslie Arden, arguably Canada's most talented musical theatre writer, is equally skilled as a composer, lyricist and librettist. Leslie has written some of Canada's most powerful and moving works of musical theatre, including the critically-acclaimed and multi award-winning *The House of Martin Guerre* and the Chalmers Award-winning *The Happy Prince*.

### ***The Princess & the Handmaiden***

**MAINSTAGE** | Nov. 15 to Dec. 30, 2009 | WORLD PREMIERE!

**Opening: Thursday, November 19 at 7PM | Media Matinee at 1PM**

Written and composed by **Leslie Arden**

By special arrangements with **Ginger Cat Productions**

Directed by **Allen MacInnis**

Recommended for Ages 5-16

Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People | 165 Front Street East, Toronto

**Tickets:** \$10 - \$20 | All prices include GST; service charges extra | Group rates available

**BOX OFFICE:** 416.862.2222 | Schedule and online tickets: [lktyp.ca](http://lktyp.ca)

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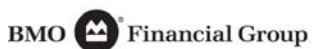
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