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## Directing Workshop: What Happens Off Stage

### Tuesday November 12th - Reminder!

**Note:** The title of this workshop has been amended to better reflect the content.

Consider yourself a could-be or would-be theatre director? Our upcoming workshop ***Tips for a successful show - approaches to the director's role in community theatre and the team behind the scenes***, could be of interest!

Several STC directors explain how being a director is not just about directing the actors to deliver their best performance on stage, and will share their approaches, challenges and lessons learned.

All directors work differently, but in general alongside the actors, a theatre show will have a production team of people bringing different technical skills and expertise. This helps share the load and provides an opportunity to discuss different artistic approaches. The director is often the person that builds this team and is the link person to all members of the team across the rehearsal and performance period.

**Tuesday November 12th at 7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm).**

**Members Free, others £5 at the door.**

**Vinters Studio 2, 1b Sunnyhill Road, SW16 2UG**

For more information see our [website](#).

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## !!Accidental Death of an Anarchist Reading and Auditions Moved Forward!!

**This will be STC's April 2025 production, directed by  
Helen Mason, with Assistant Director, Alan Scott**

*Accidental Death of an Anarchist* by Dario Fo and Franca Rame premiered in 1970. We are performing the updated 2023 English language version of the play adapted by actor

and writer Tom Basden.

A political farce, the play is based on the true story of the death of an anarchist while being interrogated by the police at a time of turbulence in Italy.

Drawing on the traditions of clowning and commedia dell'arte, the play shines a spotlight on police corruption through various theatrical devices including impersonation, farce and slapstick.

Retaining the original's deployment of the absurd, Basden brings a fresh modern twist by locating the action in a London police station. The anarchist's death results in a dramatic unravelling of order into chaos as allegations of Met police corruption, collusion and heavy-handedness are 'investigated' by both press and the judiciary.

### Characters

1. The Maniac - an unnamed compulsive performer (also plays Judge Randall)
2. Inspector Burton - from the 3rd floor
3. Superintendent Curry - the station chief
4. Detective Daisy - plain-clothes detective
5. PC Jackson - from the third floor
6. Agent Joseph - the Superintendent's aide
7. Phelan - Fi Phelan, a journalist

Do come along to the reading on Thursday November 21st, meet Helen and Alan, if you don't know them already, and discover, or rediscover, this wonderful, biting satire.

## Performance Dates

Week beginning 31st March or week beginning 7th April 2025  
(subject to venue and licence confirmation)

## Play Reading and Audition Dates at Vinters

**Play reading:** Thursday 21st November 7.30pm

**Audition dates:**

Sunday 1st December 2pm

Thursday 5th December 7.30pm

You only need to attend one of these auditions. If you would like to be considered for a part but cannot attend an audition session, please contact us at [info@streathamtheatre.org.uk](mailto:info@streathamtheatre.org.uk).

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## MA by Ra'an Oosha - This Friday the 15th

STC member Ra'an Oosha has written, directed and produced his own show, coming

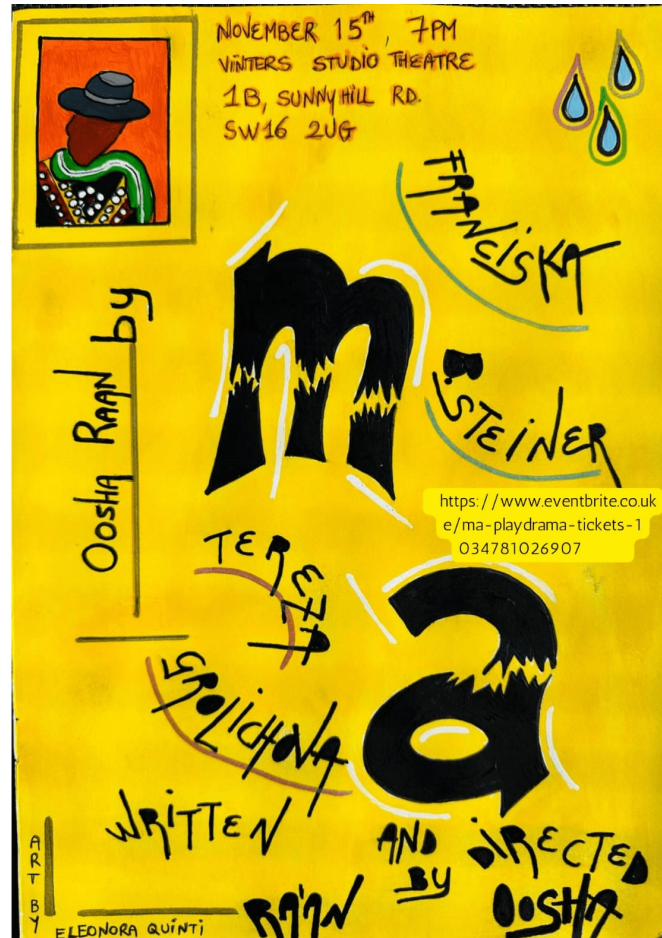
soon at Vinters. Ra'an is an STC member and you may remember his spoken word and songs from Streatham's Got Talent.

**Ma** is the tale of two sisters who haven't seen each other in over 12 years. Can they find a common ground to move forward?

**Plus: Dance, Poetry and Songs!**

7pm Friday November 15th 2024

Buy tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/.../ma-playdrama-tickets...>



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## Streatham's (Still) Got Talent!

Just a reminder about our annual Christmas event on December 10th! Start polishing your party pieces now! Whether it's poetry, a monologue, impressions, stand-up or even striptease (!), we're dying to see it!

Tuesday December 10th at 7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm).

Members Free, others £5 at the door. Licensed bar (we wouldn't expect you to perform sober!)

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## Take Part in Events Throughout the Year!

**Our regular events take place on the second Tuesday of each month - save those dates in your diary!**

- November 12th - Directing Workshop: What Happens Off Stage
- December 10th - Streatham's (Still) Got Talent
- January 14th - Play reading (title to be confirmed). If you'd like to suggest a play for us to read, do let us know at [info@streathamtheatre.org.uk](mailto:info@streathamtheatre.org.uk). If you've read this far, you at least deserve a hearing!

More events to be revealed nearer the time!

As well as providing interesting readings, workshops and talks, our events are a great way of keeping in touch with others from STC. They are usually free to members and only £5 to others, so please do come along.

**Keep a look out for our emails or check our [website](#) for details of planned events coming up next year.**

These events are kindly run by volunteers from STC or our friends in show business.

You can **join us** or renew your subscriptions at events too - at only £10 a year to subscribe, it quickly pays itself back due to free admission to events and discount performance tickets, and helps us keep theatre in Streatham.

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