



[BLANK]

by **Alice Birch**
Directed by **Monique Touko**

Lashay Anderson



Liam Bull



Isabel Butt



Catherine Elizabeth



Lucinda Freeburn



Heather Gourdie



Carli Green



Naomi Green



Isobel Griffiths



Max Kinder



Ariane Lenihan



Annabel Lisk



Alamo Perez



Jonah Richert



George Rowlands



Joseph Walsham



Director **Monique Touko**

Musical Directors **Catherine Elizabeth and Heather Gourdie**

Set and Costume Designer **Chelsie Langridge**

Lighting Designer **Lisa La**

Assistant Lighting Designer **Darwin Hennessy**

Sound Designer **Ieuan Newman**

Movement **Will Pinchin, Annabel Lisk and Joseph Walsham**

Blank is a play like no other.

100 scenes to choose from and in any order.

I jumped at the chance and was eager for a challenge.

Blank unveils what REALLY happens behind closed doors...

The hardship and the uncomfortable and sad truths of people lives. The play zooms into characters who find themselves in very unfortunate situations. When interacting with state services such as prisons and children's houses to name a few, the characters are focused to conform to a one in, one out approach, where they are seen as 'cases' and unable to have full autonomy of their lives. Cycles of trauma that have lasting impact on mind, body and soul, continuing over generations and manifesting into a bleak reality.

The world created is not specific to a time and place - This could be 1980 or 2020. Not much has changed, these problems still exist and through this show we aim to shed light on the margins of society - the forgotten, the silenced and the unheard.

There's a system that works uninterrupted and at the hands of the government which results in people living without, people turning to violence and crime and individuals feeling as if they are trapped and unable to change or improve their environment.

Blank is a comment on women's roles in a patriarchal world, the stifling of childhood, broken families and the institutions that puppeteer us and contribute to our downfall.

Director
Monique Touko

Production

Production Manager **Cian McNicholas**

Technical Manager **Glen Leyser**

Company Manager **Yasmin Brook**

Props Supervisor **Elliott Dowding**

Technical Assistant **Anton Renouf**

Stage Management

Stage Manager **Tegan Sewell**

Deputy Stage Manager **Victoria Sayers**

Assistant Stage Manager **Maya Tinapp**

Assistant Stage Manager **May Wells**

Technical

Production Electrician **Matt Condon**

Production Electrician **Oly Martin**

Lighting Programmer **Matthew Ascough**

Costume

Costume Supervisor **Tanya Walsh**

Costume Maker/Assistant **Emily Annegarn**

Costume Maker/Assistant **Heather Cohen**

Costume Maker/Assistant **Phoebe Candlin**

Scenic

James Hopwood

Lois Fordham

With help from Holly Fraser, Jakub Kurys, Maddie Gleeson, Beatriz De Oliveira and William Hamer (Lighting)

This amateur production of "*BLANK*" is presented by arrangement with United Agents.

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