

FRIDAY MARCH 3

6:30pm: Caucus Begins

Arrive at the Martha Cohen Theatre to pick up your ticket to the play and get the weekend started by meeting and mingling before the show.

7:30pm: Opening Night! *Gracie* by Joan MacLeod, directed by Vanessa Porteous It's the opening night of this Enbridge New Canadian Play! Stay afterwards for a party with the artists.

SATURDAY MARCH 4

10am: Good Morning!

Start the day with coffee and breakfast treats.

10:30am: Artists Gymnasium

Your body is your instrument. Stretch, sweat, move, and sing as you explore the ways your body can fuel creation. Please dress in comfortable clothes, and come ready to play. Open to all levels and abilities.

Your coaches: Jane MacFarlane (voice), Carmen Paterson (physical practice), Mark Ikeda (dance theatre) and Makambe Simamba (active creation).

12pm: Lunch Break

Enjoy an Indian buffet lunch provided by Mango Shiva (gluten friendly & veggie options available).

1:30pm: Deep Dive Workshops

Leap into the art of theatre-making and immerse yourself in a hands-on workshop.

Workshop A: Playwriting with Meg Braem

Where do ideas come from anyway? Using stream of consciousness exercises, playwrights will discover ideas and thoughts they never knew they had. Once unleashed, we will discuss how to create a structure that best communicates these ideas into a story. Governor General's Award-nominated Meg Braem will lead this fascinating session exploring the art of playwriting.

Workshop B: Design with Julia Wasilewski

How can design be used to enhance the story of a play? Participants will explore the possibilities of their imagination when they take the practical necessities of a text and colour them with the artistic creativity of their individual interpretations. Working with the design tools of colour theory, collage, sketching and model building, join award winning designer Julia Wasilewski to explore how to translate your wildest creative ideas into functional design possibilities.

Workshop C: Directing with Jamie Dunsdon

It's been said that the best direction is invisible to the audience, but how does a director share their interpretation of a script without hitting the audience over the head with a "concept?" In this workshop, Artistic Director of Verb Theatre Jamie Dunsdon will explore the director's "toolkit," as well as the philosophies and practices of direction that inform what goes in it.

3pm: Show & Tell

The cure for FOMO – share outcomes, excitements, and questions from your afternoon workshops with the entire group.

4:00pm: Backstage Tour

Explore backstage! Go behind the scenes in the Martha Cohen Theatre from the fly gallery to the under stage to the high wires of the Clancy. Meet members of ATP's backstage crew, as well as representatives from The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE).

5pm: Pizza Party

Take a breath, enjoy a slice, and relax over dinner. (Gluten friendly & veggie options available)

7PM: Fresh Prints

Be the first to hear staged readings of new works created by the next generation of up and coming Calgary playwrights from the ATP FRESH PRINTS Student Writers Group. Hot off the printers, these scripts are performed by some of Calgary's favourite actors.

9:30pm Closing Party

Celebrate the end of a raucous day with a private party including dancing, snacks, cash bar, and photo booth.