

**Stairwell Theater Presents A Workshop Production
of William Shakespeare's *Romeo & Juliet***

It's all fun and games until someone gets killed.

This August, [Stairwell Theater](#) presents a workshop showing of William Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet". Set in a decaying contemporary society where team sports inform law, justice, and politics - can love defeat tribalism and break the game before the final buzzer? When does competition turn into violence? An athletic ensemble will tackle Shakespeare's best loved tragedy through a unique physical vocabulary informed by dance, team sports and original music.

Full casting will be announced in May 2018.

Artistic Director Sam Gibbs will direct the play, with musical compositions by brother and [Evolfo frontman Matthew Gibbs](#) and costume design by Amie Schow.

Founded by [LAMDA](#) acting graduates Sam Gibbs and Eilyn Heald, Stairwell Theater is dedicated to mounting relevant productions of great texts in found spaces through a collaborative, artist-focused process. Their inaugural production of Shakespeare's [As You Like It](#) charmed audiences at the Prospect Park Music Pagoda with a small ensemble, minimal design and live music, followed by the sensuous, underground cabaret production of Alfred Jarry's *Ubu Rex* in Brooklyn's Aviv music venue.

The 2018 workshop of *Romeo and Juliet* will run a limited number of performances, with the intention to stage a fully mounted production in the summer of 2019.

Stairwell Theater is a sponsored project of [Fractured Atlas](#), a non-profit arts service organization. Contributions for the charitable purposes of Stairwell Theater must be made payable to "Fractured Atlas" and are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

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