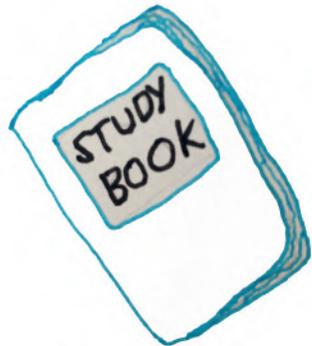


New Venture Youth  
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# CHARMLESS

A drastic retelling of Cinderella



# Charmless

Performed March 29th, 2019

*Once upon a time in a kingdom that was peaceful  
and beautiful lived a Princess . . .*

**BORING!!!** Get ready for a very different version of Cinderella, where the Ugly Club rule and social media is taking over friendship!

It has been such an exciting process devising this play with the students of NVYT. After choosing the premise of Cinderella we quickly got to work re-defining this classic fairy tale. The students wanted the piece to pass the Bechdel test, and to modernise the ideas of femininity. Through improvisation they have shifted focus from this classic love story and turned it into a tale of friendship.

What is so remarkable about this project is that it has been completely devised by the students. It's their voices and ideas you are watching! They were able to devise and rehearse this show in twelve sessions. A mean feat for any company of experienced actors! I am immensely proud and impressed by the student's hard work and inspirational approach. I hope you enjoy the show!

*Chelsea Mountney*



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## Cast and Backstage Team

Cindy	Esther Dracott
Fairy G	Elina Radmand
Qwanda	Mia Barrow
Layla	Tanusha Patel
Taylor	Lilly Thomas
Ollie	Oskar Pilcher King
Jack	Harry King
Fernando Prince	Alfie Macpherson

Youth Leader/Director	Chelsea Newton Mountney
Assistant Director	Alanna Manwaring
Narrative/Devising Assistant	Rich Foyster
Production Manager	Tom Kitch
Stage Manager	Ian Black
Sound Operation	Tamsin Mastoris
Lighting Operation	Strat Mastoris

A huge thank you to Pat Boxall for all her hard work and advice to ensure the wellbeing of the cast, and to both her and Rich Foyster for acting as chaperones; and to everyone who has supported the youth production – Scott Roberts, Chris Stubbs, Rod Lewis, Pat Boxall, Sarah Davis and Strat Mastoris – and our Front of House and Box Office teams.



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In 1983, NVT bought the freehold of this listed Victorian building which needs constant investment to maintain its integrity. To keep NVT going, we rely on the generosity of the community, to provide donations that are essential to the upkeep of the building and the refurbishment of the main auditorium.

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directed by Rod Lewis

Friday 17 to Saturday 25 May

### **Hysteria**

by Terry Johnson

directed by Bob Ryder

Friday 14 to Saturday 22 June

### **Elephant's Graveyard**

by George Brant

directed by David Eaton

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