



MEDIA RELEASE

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Major international collaboration between Brink and London-based theatre company

Brink Productions has joined forces with London-based English Touring Theatre, in a major new collaboration.

English Touring Theatre approached Brink and expressed interest in co-commissioning and developing a major new work with the company, after seeing the 2008 premiere of Brink's *When the Rain Stops Falling* in Adelaide.

Lost & Found (working title) is inspired by the experience of ex-Adelaide woman, Gill Hicks, who was critically injured in the 2005 London bombings, losing both her legs. This new production will be a visual/physical/theatre work about identity, or the loss of it, of compassion and human interconnection.

The world premiere of *Lost & Found* is proposed for 2012 in Adelaide, followed by extensive touring throughout Australia, London/UK and beyond.

Kay Jamieson, Brink's Executive Producer, is thrilled that Brink has the opportunity to develop this major new work in co-production with the prestigious English Touring Theatre. "A truly international co-production", she said.

ETT Director, Rachel Tackley said, "ETT is delighted to be collaborating with such an intriguing and ambitious company. *Lost & Found* is an exciting proposition and ideal for a UK/Australian collaboration".

Chris Drummond will direct the production and has invited long-time Brink collaborator, Quentin Grant, to join him once again as composer. The internationally acclaimed playwright, Bryony Lavery, has recently joined as another collaborator and will visit Adelaide later this week for preliminary discussions.

Chris Drummond is Artistic Director of Brink Productions and Director of its award-winning productions, *When The Rain Stops Falling* and *The Hypochondriac*.

Bryony Lavery is a prolific UK writer, best known in Australia for her successful and award winning play, *Frozen*. Her diverse and extensive range includes collaborating with UK physical theatre company, Frantic Assembly, to develop *Stockholm*, inspired by the Stockholm Syndrome.

Quentin Grant is a freelance composer. He works with a number of theatre companies in film, and plays regularly with many bands and ensembles.

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Notes to Editor:

Bryony Lavery will be in Adelaide on 19th March. Photo opportunity with Chris Drummond, Kay Jamieson, Bryony Lavery and Quentin Grant.

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