

Bringing It All Back Home

by Terrence McNally

Directed by Camyar Chai - UBC MFA Directing Candidate

Jimmy died like a man. Jimmy died like a good American. And the best part is, it didn't hurt a bit. Anyway, that's what the telegram said. Now his body is back from Vietnam and the war has come home. *Bringing It All Back Home* is the story of a family afflicted by everything that war brings; isolation, questions of sexual identity, family values, fear, the cult of celebrity, exploitation and a growing sense of devolution of a society. As Canadians, we're still being caught up in the crossfire and Terrence McNally's black comedy is as biting and poignant now as it was in the turbulent sixties.

Terrance McNally: Since his Broadway premiere in 1964 with *And Things Go Bump in the Night*, McNally has been thrilling and shocking audiences with his irreverently bold humor and fearless subversion of the ordinary. A four-time Tony award winner, McNally's plays include *Master Class*, *Corpus Christi*, *Kiss of the Spider Woman*, *Lips Together*, *Teeth Apart*, *Frankie and Johnny* and *the Clair De Lune* and *Love! Valour! Compassion!*

MFA Director Camyar Chai is the founding artistic producer of Vancouver's acclaimed **newworld theatre** and produced last year's PuSh Festival hit, *Crime And Punishment*. In addition to receiving several Jessie awards and nominations for his acting and writing, Camyar is a recipient of the '99 Ray Michal Award for Emerging Director for newworld's *Devil Box Cabaret*. A graduate of UBC's BFA acting program, Camyar's recent credits include co-authorship and performance in *Ali & Ali* and *The Axes of Evil*, which has been published by Talon books and a recurring role on DaVinci's City Hall. In April, an opera which Camyar wrote a libretto for, *Elijah's Kite*, will receive its premier performance in New York.

Bringing It All Back Home stars professional actor and UBC BFA alumni **Johanna Kalema** along with BFA Candidates **Sheila Burns**, **Evan Lendrum**, **Keegan Macintosh** and **Joanna Ranelli** and MA students, **Jeff Kaiser** and **Daniel Valle**.

Dorothy Somerset Theatre

6131 University Blvd. (In Hut M18)

February 2, 3 and 4

Note Curtain: 7:30 Nightly

Tickets: \$5 available at the door

Wayfinding see "Hut M18": www.maps.ubc.ca

Recommended Parking and directions: West Parkade - 2140 Lower Mall, (access off NW Marine Dr.) From parkade proceed on foot North along Lower Mall and turn East at University Blvd. **From UBC Bus Loop:** Walk West along University Blvd.

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