

## PRESS RELEASE

The multi-award winning **Prodigal Theatre** will present the award winning **“QUEEN OF THE SLAUGHTER”** at [name and address of venue] at [time of show] each day from the [date] to the [date] of [month].

Developed with the Nightingale Theatre, Brighton and Teatro Della Contraddizione, Milan; **“Queen of the Slaughter”** has been created by the company with a team of high-profile associate artists including director/dramaturge Annie Castledine and choreographer Charlie Morrissey.

Based on the question of whether an ideology can ever justify the taking of life, the piece explores the nature of commitment to a cause and the ways in which idealists are employed as foot soldiers by those whose ideals have been replaced with something darker.

More lyrical and expressionist than the company's award winning Edinburgh hit “The Tragedian Trilogy” and Brighton Festival “Best Show” winning commission “Ten Thousand Several Doors”; **“Queen of the Slaughter”** blends poetic text & song in three languages with contemporary dance & “Parkour” based movement.

**“This is the first performance in a new phase of Prodigal’s work”** co-founder Miranda Henderson adds.

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## Notes for Editors:

- “Queen of the Slaughter” is funded by the Arts Council of England, South East
- Prodigal Theatre are actor-managers of the award winning Nightingale Theatre, Brighton; where they support the development of artists such as Inspector Sands & Stamping Ground, Linda Marlowe and Badac.
- Teatro Della Contraddizione is a Milan based experimental theatre company with its own venue and school. The two companies met whilst performing at Southside during the 2005 Edinburgh Festival Fringe.
- Queen of the Slaughter was developed with a panel of mentors – award winning Dramaturge and Director Annie Castledine, Choreographer and Dancer Charlie Morrissey, and the academic Andrew Nisbet.
- Prodigal’s last three shows have been award-winning.
- For more information visit [www.prodigaltheatre.co.uk](http://www.prodigaltheatre.co.uk)