

# Theater of Nations' SHUKSHIN'S STORIES & TAMARA GVERDTSITELI Set for Cherry Orchard Festival

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The Cherry Orchard Festival (www.CherryOrchardFestival.org), promoting cultural diversity globally, is back for the fourth year with two unique programs, each showcasing the best of international artistry and talent. The Theater of Nations' Shukshin's Stories, based on the famous stories of Vasily Shukshin and directed by Alvis Hermanis (IL Trovatore featuring Placido Domingo and Anna Netrebko; Brodsky / Baryshnikov with Mikhail Baryshnikov) will play 4 performances at New York City Center (131 West 55th Street): June 8th at 8pm, June 9th at 8pm, June 10th at 8pm and June 11th at 8pm. Tickets, priced at \$55-\$150 are available through the City Center website (www.NYCityCenter.org), in person at the City Center box office or by calling 212-581-1212.

Based on the famous stories of Vasily Shukshin, Siberia-born iconic writer of the Soviet era, Shukshin's Stories is a vivid and witty production comprising several vignettes full of love, humor, nostalgia, laughter, and authenticity. The play is a winner of the prestigious Golden Mask Theatre Award and The Crystal Turandot Theatrical Award. It has toured internationally to The Vienna Festival (Austria), Teatrformen (Hannover, Germany), International Festival in Helsinki (Finland), Golden Mask in Baltia Riga (Latvia), Tallinn (Estonia) and Vilnius (Lithuania), Tel-Aviv Centennial Festival (Israel), International Festival of Modern Drama (Berlin, Germany) and Dutch Festival (Amsterdam).

The renowned cast of Shukshin's Stories includes: Chulpan Khamatova, Evgeny Mironov, Julia Peresild, Yulia Svezhakova, Alexander Grishin, Pavel Akimkin, Alexander Novin and Dmitriy Zhuravlev.

Renowned actors Chulpan Khamatova, Evgeny Mironov and Julia Peresild received rave reviews for their performance in The Theater of Nations' Miss Julie at The Lincoln Center Festival in 2015.

Shukshin's Stories is brought to life by the acclaimed director and set designer Alvis Hermanis, along with artistic director Evgeny Mironov.

Director Alvis Hermanis was recently named among the ten most influential European theater personalities of the last ten years by DU Magazine, a Swiss periodical for arts and culture. Born in Riga, Latvia in 1965, Mr. Hermanis currently works with major European theater companies, including Burgtheater Vienna, Schaubuehne Berlin, Munchner Kammerspiele, and Schauspielhaus Zurich; and in opera houses including La Scala Milano, State Opera Berlin, and La Monnaie Brussels. He has staged operas at the Salzburg Festspiele since 2012, and will continue in the 2015 and 2016 seasons. His most recent staging there was of Trovatore featuring Placido Domingo and Anna Netrebko. His many accolades include the Europe Prize New Theatre Realities, the Stanislavsky Award, two Golden Mask Awards (Moscow), Max Reinhardt Pen (Salzburg Festspiele), Nestroy Preis (Austria), and the Konrad Wolf Award (Germany). He has been artistic director of the New Riga Theatre since 1997.

After her 2014 tour, internationally known singer Tamara Gverdtsiteli returns to Stern Auditorium/Perelman Stage at Carnegie Hall with the world premiere of her new program called "Mamele, The Mother's Eyes," a collection of beloved Yiddish standards, and international hits in Georgian, Russian, French, and Italian, as well as the artist's own best-known songs. Accompanied by Cherry Orchard Symphony Orchestra (USA) and conducted by Maestro Aleksander Tsaliuk, Ms. Gverdtsiteli is backed by the soloists of the famed Moscow Male Jewish Cappella. Tickets, which range from \$35-\$225 are available through the Carnegie Hall website (www.CarnegieHall.org), in person at the Carnegie Hall box office or by calling 212-247-7800.

An evening with Tamara Gverdtsitel - "Mamele, The Mother's Eyes" will take place at Stern Auditorium/Perelman Stage at Carnegie Hall (881 Seventh Avenue) on June 1, 2016 at 8pm and Moscow's Theater of Nations production of Shukshin's Stories, directed by Alvis Hermanis, will run at New York City Center (131 West 55th Street) from June 8-11, 2016.

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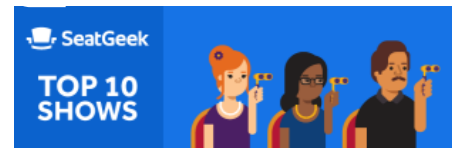
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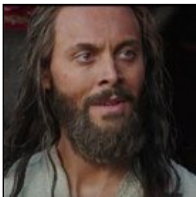


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