Diyan Zora

Director / Writer

Represented by:

Jessica Stewart

Diyan Zora is an award-winning director and writer for theatre. Most recently, she directed Roots by Arnold Wesker at the Almeida Theatre, as part of the Almeida's Angry and Young season. She also directed the UK premiere of the Pulitzer Prize-winning play, English by Sanaz Toossi at the RSC, which was nominated for the Olivier Award for Best Production in an Affiliate Theatre. She was the 2021 recipient of the 2021 Genesis Future Directors Award. Diyan is also a playwright and was a member of the Bush Theatre's 2022 Emerging Writers Group. -Iraqi-born and Birmingham-raised, Diyan currently resides in London. She initiated and runs the newly formed Royal Court writers group in Iraq.



THEATRE

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS	
2024	ROOTS	Almeida Theatre	By Arnold Wesker	
			The Guardian	
			The Times	
			The Observer	
			Financial Times	
			The Telegraph	
			Broadway World	
			London Theatre	
			UpstageReviews	
			London Box Office	
			All That Dazzles	
			"deeply moving eternally relevant " (The Guardian)	
			"an extraordinary piece of work: intimate and visionary." (The Observer)	
			"Heartbreaking" (The Times)	
			"a modern masterpiece a top-quality 100 minutes of drama" (The Independent)	
2024	ENGLISH	Royal Shakespeare Company / Kiln Theatre	By Sanaz Toossi	
		company / Kill Medic	The Times	
			The Stage	
			Whatsonstage	
			Time Out	
			Reviews Hub	
			Brum Hour	
			Midlands Arts Magazine	
			Weekend Notes	
			"Dazzling, clever, moving" (The Times)	



2023	CONSENT	Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama	By Nina Raine
2023	MOM, HOW DID YOU MEET THE BEATLES?	Chichester Festival Theatre, Minerva Theatre	A verbatim play by Adrienne Kennedy and Adam P. Kennedy The Guardian Theatre South East "truly breathtaking. A rapturous standing ovation, overwhelmingly deserved." Chichester Observer "One of the finest performances the Minerva has seen for a long, long time."
2022	LYSISTRATA	Lyric Theatre Springboard	
2022	NTOM FOOL	Orange Tree Theatre	By Franz Xaver Kroetz The Guardian The Times The Stage Financial Times Arts Desk Broadway World Everything Theatre London Living "A powerful ten minute scene in which the parents painstakingly tidy the wreckage of their living room after a violent outburst contains not a word of dialogue but feels breathlessly intense all the same." The Stage
2021	KLIPPIES	Young Vic Theatre	By Jessica Sian As winner of the Genesis Future Director's Award
2021	THE SUICIDE	East 15	
	MSY	Young Vic	Part of the 5 plays project
	GATHER YE ROSEBUDS	Theatre503	* Winner, Best New Play, New Writing South
	TWELFTH NIGHT	Cockpit Theatre	
	OTHELLO	Barons Court Theatre	

THEATRE - AS ASSOCIATE & ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
FAITH HOPE AND CHARITY	National Theatre	Dir. Alexander Zeldin
LOVE	National Theatre & European Tour	Dir. Alexander Zeldin
THE FERRYMAN	Gielgud Theatre	Dir. Sam Mendes
EVENING AT THE TALKHOUSE	National Theatre	Dir. Ian Rickson

FIREWORKS	Royal Court Theatre	Dir. Richard Twyman
THE WOLF FROM THE DOOR	Royal Court Theatre	Dir. James Macdonald
MY NAME IS	Arcola Theatre / Summerhall	Dir. Philip Osment