

NO STRINGS THEATRE

Supporting performing artists in an ever-changing world

December 23, 2020.

Dear Friends & Supporters,

For fifteen years, No Strings Theatre (NST) has been making it possible for young people to develop their musical theatre skills under the guidance of professionally trained artists. Even during this challenging year we have managed to offer extensive training opportunities (online Acting Through Song workshops), timely discourse (Black On Stage) and a virtual holiday concert (If You Believe), while rededicating our mandate to create a theatre space where everyone feels included, regardless of race, socioeconomic background, or identity. Now, more than ever, it is prudent for us to continue to innovate, develop, and grow our company for the future, and we are excited to announce a boost in our team members, both creative (with our new artistic associate, Scott Hurst) and business-wise with our fortified, skilled and active Board of Directors.

In the summer of 2021 we hope to take NST to a new level by assisting the development of a new work by an Emerging Artist lyricist/composer team of Caribbean descent. Sasky Louison and Darryl Joseph-Dennie bring us DARIO ET LA DIABLESSE; an Afro-Caribbean folk tale of love and forgiveness. The show is in music theatre format and utilizes the Afro-centric musical styles of drums, steelpan, soca, calypso, and reggae. It is our desire that this project will engage a company of creatives, mentors and performers all with Caribbean backgrounds.

This 3 – 4 week project has a budget of \$35,000 which we hope to realize through a combination of government funding (provincial & municipal), and matching donations, and corporate sponsorships. We are hoping that you, our loyal community, will continue to support our organization as we develop and grow.

We wish to thank you, our donors, for the support in aiding us to keep our doors open during these uncertain times. We hope you will support us again by donating this year. No Strings Theatre is a not-for-profit charitable organization and, as such, we are able to offer tax receipts for all donations over \$25. While your generosity is appreciated at any time of the year, we realize that December 31st is rapidly approaching, and you may wish receives a tax receipt in time for your next tax preparation, so please donate today by e-transfer (directors@nostringstheatre.com) or by sending your cheque to 601 Christie St., Suite 254, Toronto M6G 4C7.

From all of us at No Strings Theatre, may we take this opportunity to wish you, and all those you love, a safe, warm and memorable holiday season. We look forward to having a impactful 2021. Will you join us?

Respectfully,



Brian Cunha, M.Ed
President, Chair of the Board
No Strings Theatre