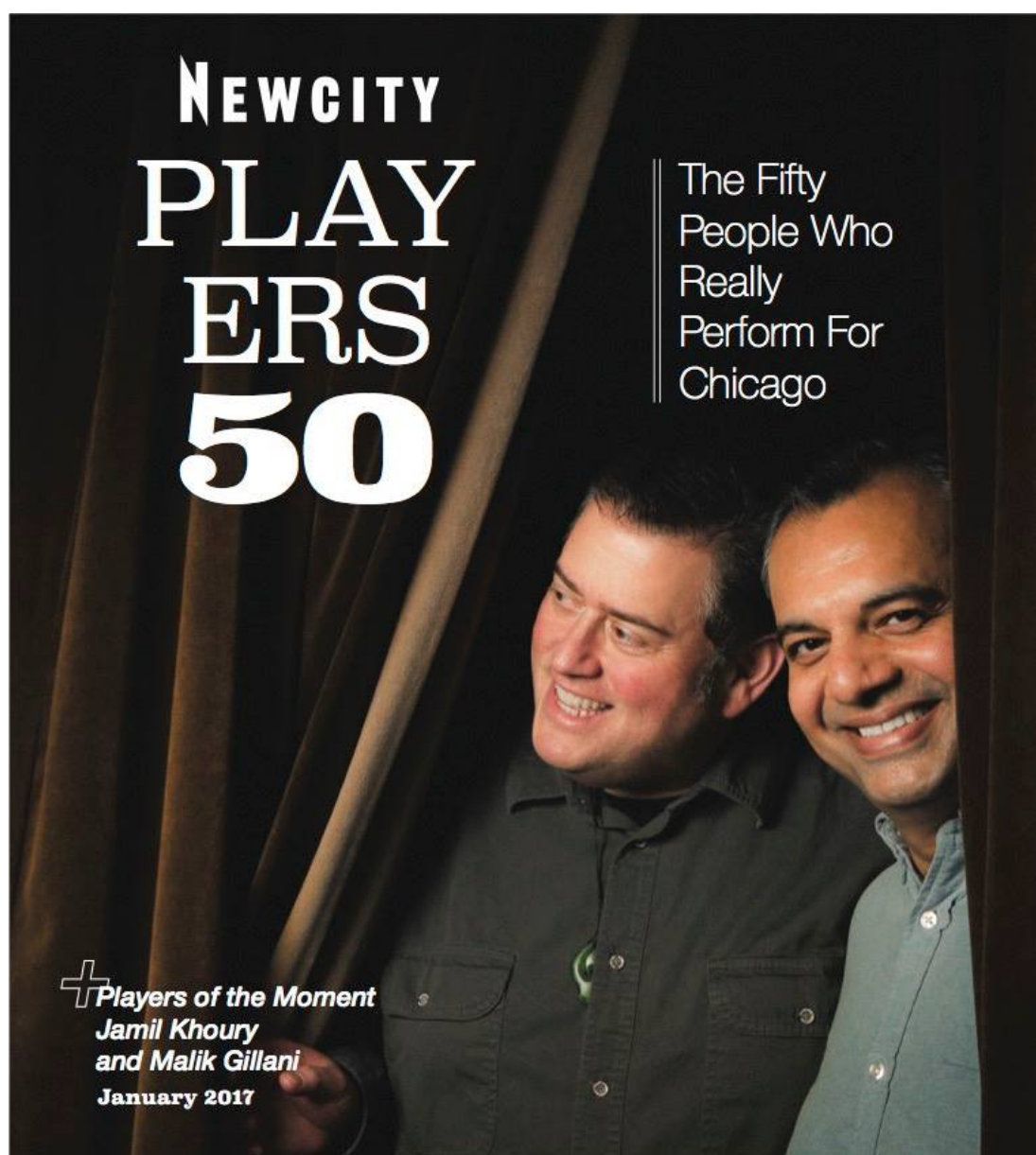


Hello Friend, Silk Road Rising Co-Founders named "Players of the Moment" by NewCity! [View Online](#) Or [Forward](#) to a friend.



PLAYERS OF THE MOMENT



Jamil Khoury and Malik Gillani/ Photo: Joe Mazza/Brave Lux

Chicago's *Newcity* newspaper annually issues a Players 50 edition, "The Fifty People Who Really Perform for Chicago."

Newcity just listed Silk Road Rising in its Players 50 edition and featured co-founders Malik Gillani and Jamil Khoury on the cover as "Players of the Moment." [Read the Cover Story Online »](#)

Newcity's write-up about why Silk Road Rising really performs for Chicago:

"Founded in the wake of 9/11, the work of **Silk Road Rising** has arguably never been more **vital**. The company, whose mission is to "advance a polycultural worldview" by telling the stories of underrepresented Asian American and Middle Eastern American voices, is **poised to lead a counter-narrative against the Islamophobia and xenophobia** of the President-elect and many

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