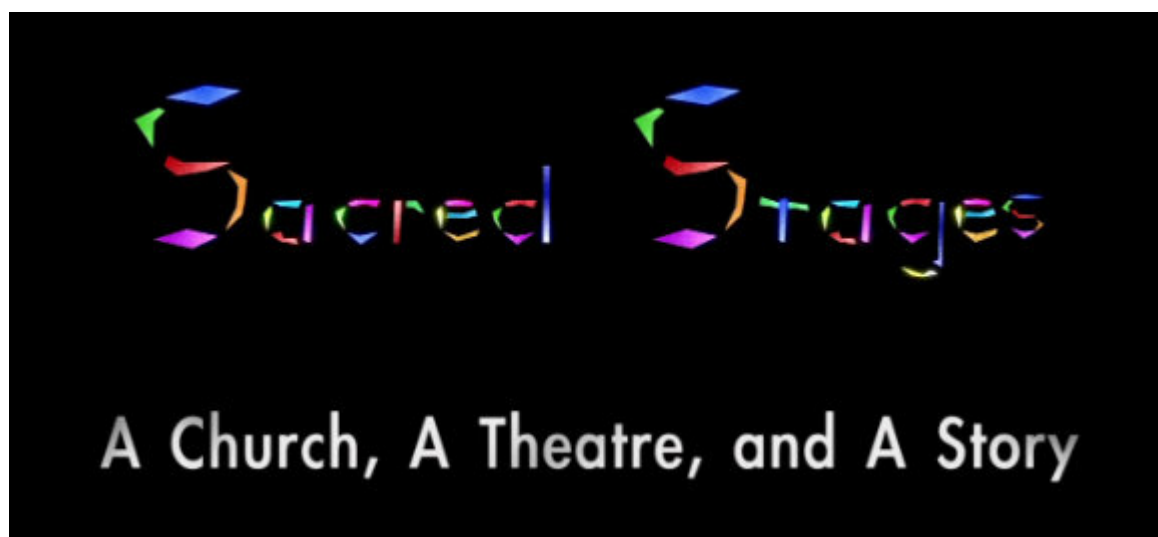


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SACRED STAGES
 Directed by Malik Gillani & Jamil Khoury
 Tuesday, May 27th at 7:00pm



Join us for a screening of *Sacred Stages: A Church, A Theatre, and A Story* (28min, 37sec). The documentary tells the unique and inspiring story of the relationship between the First United Methodist Church at the Chicago Temple—Chicago's oldest Christian congregation—and Silk Road Rising, a theatre company founded in response to 9/11 and dedicated to showcasing playwrights of Asian and Middle Eastern backgrounds.

A shared commitment to storytelling, racial and economic justice, and LGBT inclusion characterizes this profound partnership between a religious community and a secular theatre.

The screening will be followed by a discussion facilitated by Reverend Philip Blackwell, Senior Minister at the First United Methodist Church at the Chicago Temple, and Jamil Khoury, Silk Road Rising's Artistic Director. Blackwell and Khoury will engage the audience in a conversation about the film, partnerships between churches and theatres, and the broader intersections of religion and art.

DATE

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TICKETS

The event is **FREE** and open to the public. To reserve tickets, [click here](#).

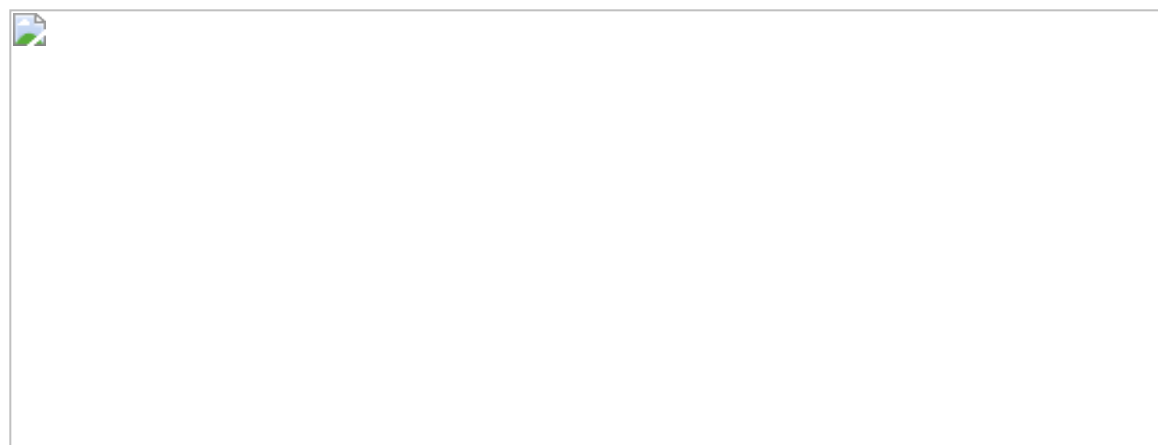
VENUE

Screening held at Silk Road Rising's permanent theatre venue:
 Pierce Hall at The Historic Chicago Temple Building, 77 W Washington St, Chicago.

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

We are easily accessible by major RTA and CTA routes. If driving, take advantage of our \$8 parking arrangement with Self Park, 230 W Washington St (building with Cosi restaurant).

THE TRANSLATOR
 Written by Rana Kazkaz
 Directed by Rana Kazkaz & Anas Khalaf
 June 19th & 20th



Story by Rana Kazkaz and Anas Khalaf

fearful of the consequences, Sammy returns illegally to Syria in order to find his brother and, in the process, discovers his courage.

STAGED READING SCHEDULE

Thursday, June 19th at 7:30pm

Friday, June 20th at 8:00pm

Each performance is followed by a talk-back with the creative team.

TICKETS

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased by clicking [here](#). There is no processing fee to buy online.

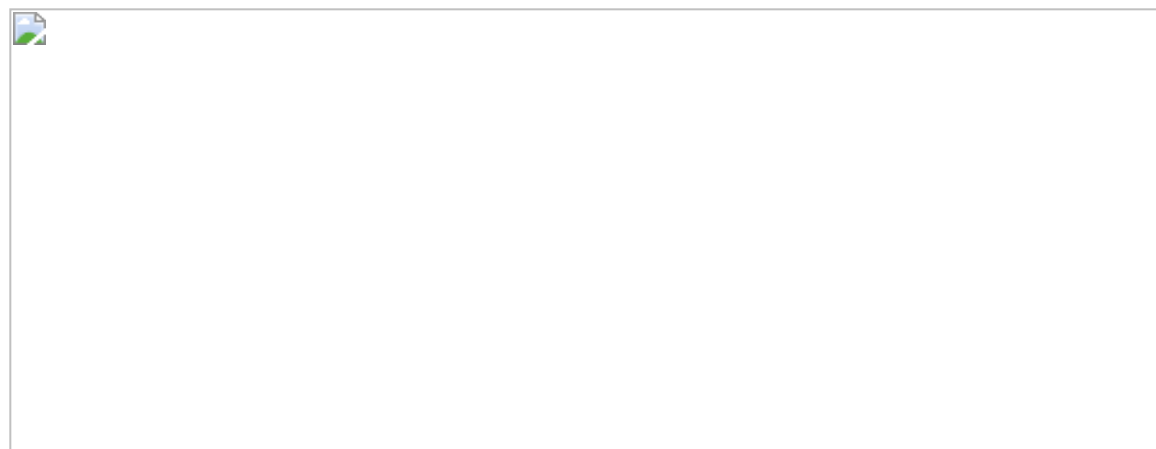
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UNMANNED

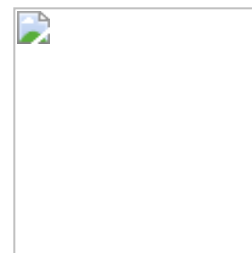
Written by Robert Myers
Directed by Sandeep Das
June 28th & 29th



By turns comic and appalling, *UNMANNED* dramatizes the lives of two drone operators in a remote desert in the the American Southwest—one, a retired male fighter pilot who is terrified to fly; the other, a young female gamer who has never flown. This sets the stage for an exploration of the bizarre and disturbing profession of the military drone “pilot” and the ways in which technology has radically altered contemporary life and warfare.

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Silk Road Rising is proud to introduce Sabba Elahi's powerful visual artwork as a companion to *UNMANNED*. Both Elahi's artwork and Myers' play address the ethical and moral challenges posed by drone plane technology and its resultant "collateral damage." Elahi will be onhand to present a twenty minute talk with slideshow presentation before each of the staged readings.



STAGED READING SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 28th at 4:00pm

Sunday, June 29th at 4:00pm

Each performance is followed by a talk-back with the creative team.

TICKETS

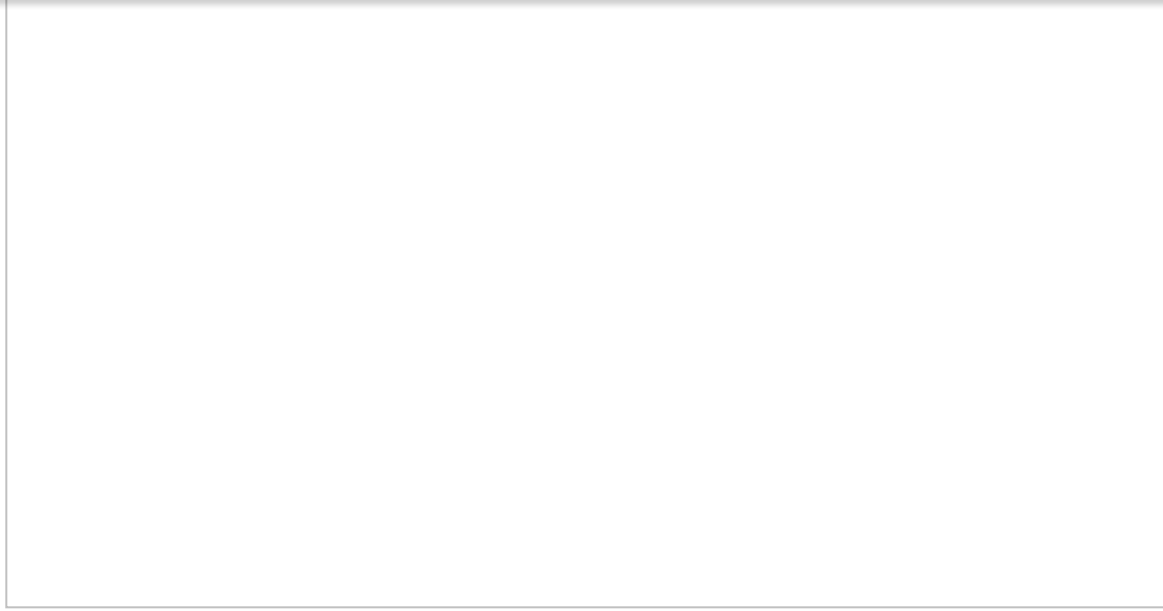
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Silk Road Rising Celebrates Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month



Silk Road Rising celebrates Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month with this **Salute Video**. Representing scenes from productions and artist interviews, the video showcases Silk Road Rising's contributions to making arts in Chicago truly representative and reflective of our city's beautiful diversity.

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