

Programme

The World is Beautiful, with Minor Conflicts

Short story readings

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About the stories

The neighbourhood stories *Uncle Peabody Loses His Worries* and *Mrs Downaway* tell of two ordinary protagonists who experience extraordinary encounters in their adjacent back gardens. Thus, they unearth unexpected moments of connection and warmth in times of social distancing. Presenting characters in a London universe between the realistic and the strange, the literary sketches follow on from previous projects: *The Fool Eater*, *They Called Her Salt*, and *Tony's Hot Day* explored contemporary themes around the fluidity of our identities, the challenges of solitude, and the creativity of self-isolation. The two stories of today's reading form part of this cycle.

About the author

Florian works as author and director in London. His artistic profile combines literary writing with oral performance and inclusive practice. His storytelling projects have been funded by the Arts Council England among others. He has worked with Opera Holland Park, Powerhouse for Women, Act Up! Newham and various London charities. (For more information: www.florianjseubert.co.uk.)

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