

CONTAGIOUS THEATRE PRESENTS

PAUL GALLICO'S

The Snow Goose



FEATURING **JAMES CAIRNS & TARYN BENNETT**

DIRECTED BY **JENINE COLLOCOTT**

ADAPTED BY THE CAST & DIRECTOR

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The Snow Goose is a beautiful adaptation of Paul Gallico's classic novella by seasoned theatre makers Contagious Theatre. Set against the background of the miracle of Dunkirk. A wounded snow goose brings a young girl, Frith and the recluse Philip Rhayader together in a moving story of friendship and courage.

Taking on and adapting a classic text for the stage is no easy ask, and adapting Paul Gallico's *The Snow Goose* was no exception. Long time theatre producers Simon and Helen Cooper approached Jenine Collocott, James Cairns and Taryn Bennett with this can-it-be-done challenge. For Simon and Helen they remember *The Snow Goose* as children and loved the idea of seeing it come to life on the stage.

The Snow Goose opened to critical acclaim at the National Arts Festival in 2013 and has gone on to perform all around the country. It was nominated for Best Director, Best Play and Best Ensemble at the Naledi Theatre Awards for its 2015 run at Theatre on the Square, Sandton Johannesburg, and was nominated for Best Design and Best Puppetry at the Fleur Du Cap Theatre Awards for its Kalk Bay Theatre run in 2014.

Credits:

Directed and designed by **Jenine Collocott**
 With **James Cairns** and **Taryn Bennett**
 Adapted by the director and the cast
 Masks by **Jenine Collocott**
 Sound design by **Peter Cornell**
 Puppet props by **Alida Van Deventer**
 Stage round by **Nick Vermeulen Engineering**

What the critics say:

"An arresting and memorable theatrical coup."
 Steyn Du Toit, Sunday Independent

"This play is a must-see." Robyn Sassen

"Will linger long after you leave the theatre."
 Tracey Saunders, Cape Times

"'n teaterervaring wat jy nog lank in jou hart gaan bere. ★★★★★" Marina Griebenow, Die Burger

"Gallico's story soars..." Gayle Edmunds, City Press

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