

** VOCALEYE ALMOST LIVE ZOOM

** LITE NITE | SERVING ELIZABETH

Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 6:30 pm Pacific Time

[Almost Live Episode 155](#)

A drama that explores the story of colonialism and who gets to tell it.

The story takes place in two time periods in two periods: 1952 in Kenya and in 2015 in London, England. In 1952 in Kenya, Mercy a restaurant owner, is hired to cook for the impending visit of Princess Elizabeth (soon to be Queen) and the Duke of Edinburgh.

In 2015, in London, England, Tia a young Kenyan-born Canadian, is working as an intern on a TV drama series about the British royal family (think The Crown) – while also pursuing a writing project of her own.

Produced by CBC's PlayMe Podcast. Written by Marcia Johnson.

Almost Live **Lite Nites** are more casual presentations of accessible audio plays or audio described films. This event will not be recorded.

Bring your popcorn and join us for this month's audio play!

About the Playwright: [Marcia Johnson](#) was born in Jamaica and has lived in Canada since the age of six. She has been a theatre artist in Toronto for over thirty years. Her 5-minute play **A Magical Place** written for Zoom is available on YouTube as part of the National Transformations Project produced by the National Arts Centre and Stratford Festival. She directed the two-hander starring Kaleb Alexander and Amaka Umeh.

Serving Elizabeth, in which she also acted, had its world premiere at Western Canada Theatre in Kamloops in February 2020. It has been published by Scirocco Drama. The play was a co-production with Thousand Islands Playhouse. The run at that theatre has been postponed until sometime after the coronavirus pandemic.

Most recently, she became a mentor for Loose Tea Music Theatre's new BIPOC Composer Librettist Development Program.

Marcia started reading children's books online in April 2020 as a pandemic project. As of this writing, she has read over 200 books to children and adults alike. [Read more here](#)

Almost Live events are designed to be accessible for people who are blind and partially sighted. If you've never attended a VocalEye Almost Live Zoom event before, you can register for a single event or sign up for the full season. A Zoom link and reminder will be sent to you on the day of the event. Everyone is welcome!

[Register here](#) or call [604-364-5949](tel:604-364-5949)

The VocalEye virtual lobby opens at 6:30 pm Pacific Time for socializing and community updates with host Amy Amantea. The featured presentation begins at 7 pm, followed by more conversation.

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Congratulations to Louise Johnson for winning VocalEye's Online 50/50 Raffle!

Extending a heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in our 50/50 raffle by purchasing tickets, spreading the word, and sharing your wonderful testimonials. Your support is invaluable!

All proceeds from this raffle go towards VocalEye services and programming designed to enhance the accessibility of arts and culture for people who are blind and partially sighted.

Thank you once again for helping us Make Ends Meet in 2024!

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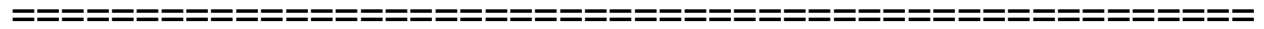
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