

# ABOUT FAITH AND ARTS OTTAWA

## CREATIVITY, IMAGINATION, SPIRITUALITY AND THE ARTS

*god*VERBATIM is sponsored and produced by Faith and Arts Ottawa, a new ministry of the United Church with a mission to help people explore questions of spirituality and faith through the creative arts, and to grow a community of artists and others who are committed to using their art and imagination to expand and deepen their spiritual lives.

Find out more at [www.faithandartsottawa.org](http://www.faithandartsottawa.org) or email our Director, [david.sherwin@faithandartsottawa.org](mailto:david.sherwin@faithandartsottawa.org).

## SPECIAL THANKS

A heartfelt thank you to Rideau Park United Church for hosting our cast dinners and rehearsals.

Thank you also, to the Vision Fund of the United Church of Canada, which supports youth and young adult initiatives across the country, for the financial support which made *god*VERBATIM possible.

And a special thank you to Rev. Dr. Tom Sherwood for allowing us to use his research into the spiritual lives of young adult Canadians as a starting point for our own creative process.

Also, a thank you to Laura Lake and Jessica Rousseau who volunteered their time to create the art, website, and printed materials.

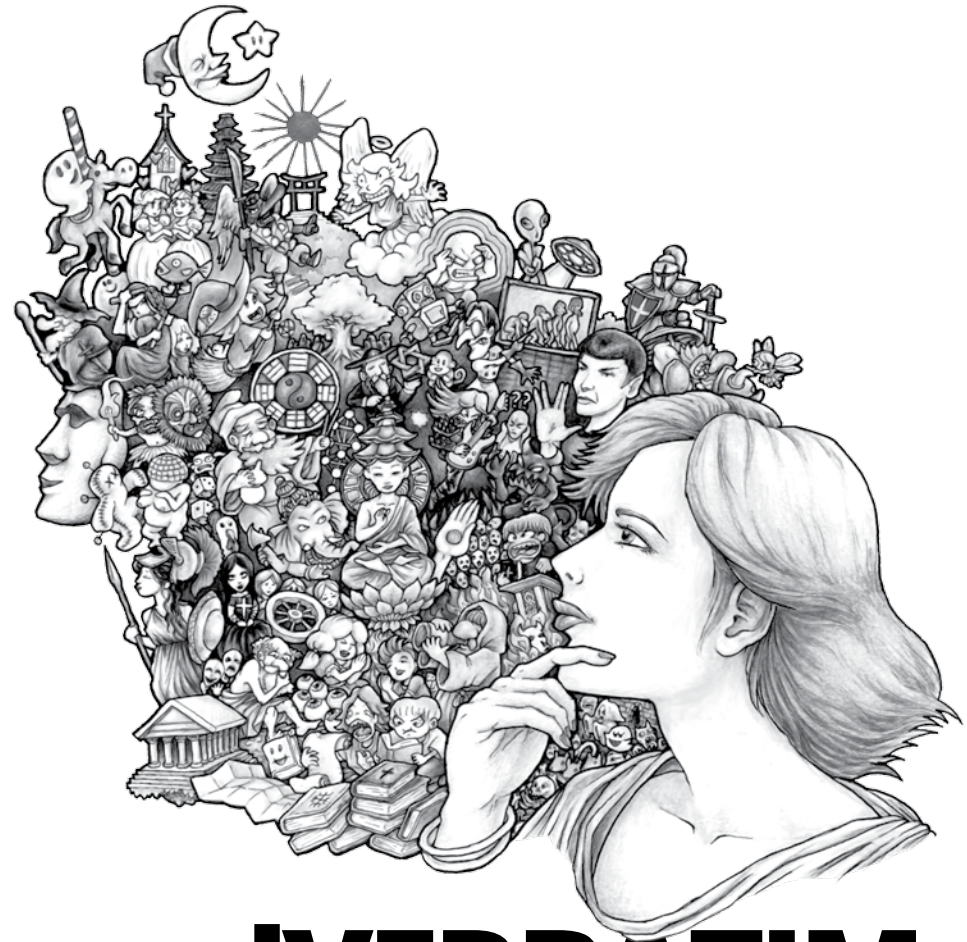
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The god  
Monologues



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# godVERBATIM

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## VER·BA·TIM

adverb & adjective

in exactly the same words as were used originally.

## VERBATIM THEATRE

Verbatim theatre is a form of documentary theatre in which plays are constructed from the precise words spoken by people interviewed about a particular event or topic.

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## DIRECTORS

ELEANOR CROWDER | ANNA LEWIS

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## CREATORS

Christina Anderson

Michael Azonye

Bryan Girard

Kathleen Grady-Thompson

Laura Lake

Gabriel Maracle

Rosemary Nolan

Jessica Rousseau

Ashley Russell

Cheryl Shaw

Rev. David Sherwin

Rev. Dr. Tom Sherwood

Justine Sousa

Terry Thompson

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Lighting design and operation David Magladry

Sound design by Roberta Walker

This production uses sounds from Freesound, an audio collective created by the Music Technology Group of Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona, Spain. Individual artists include: Sagetyrtle, justplainphillip, CGEffex, Chipfork, Robinhood, Alienstcog, Nature-nutt, and dobroide.

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## ABOUT god**VERBATIM**

This performance is meant to connect individuals on the topic of God and religion, freeing them to ask questions and recount experiences regardless of religious background or beliefs.

The actors will speak from a myriad of perspectives, all recognizing their unity in searching for something spiritually fulfilling. It will feature the work that sparked and inspired us - stories gathered by Carleton University's Rev. Dr. Tom Sherwood. Tom interviewed over 600 young adults and asked their opinions on faith, spirituality, and religion.

"Our hope is that this won't be just our questions, but all our questions," says ministry founder David Sherwin. "Last year, in *The god Monologues*, [the precursor to this show] the cast's genuine performances inspired others to share as well. This year we want to make a space for that."

The team's vision is to incorporate the audience's experiences with faith and spirituality via Facebook and Twitter.

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## PERFORMANCES

<b>WEEK 1</b>	JUNE 20, 8PM	<b>WEEK 2</b>	JUNE 26, 6PM
	JUNE 21, 8PM		JUNE 27, 8PM
	JUNE 22, 7PM		JUNE 28, 8PM

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