

# KESHO AMAHORO (Peace Tomorrow) – PRESS RELEASE

Written by Lizzie Jago – Music by Anna Rusbatch

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Celebrating the triumph of the human spirit, this musical is dedicated to refugees, all over the world.

Kesho Amahoro is a true story, based on the personal experiences of the Playwright (Lizzie Jago) and brought to life by the magical songs of the Musical Director (Anna Rusbatch).

The story is set in the Rwandese refugee camps of Northern Tanzania in 1994 and it follows the young refugee Esperance and her siblings as they struggle to survive. They meet with the resilient Kasulu kids, Rwandan refugee children, with no parents, who have formed themselves into a tight knit gang. Together they face incredible setbacks and deep heartache, but through it all they still manage to look positively to the future.

A cast of 100 young performers from Braeburn School, Kenya and Downs Junior School, Brighton, will come together as the 'Chicken Knitters' to bring this extraordinary musical to life. The Rwandan High Commissioner, H.E. Williams Nkurunziza, will be attending the show on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July.

Lizzie Jago and Anna Rusbatch founded the Chicken Knitters Theatre Company in 2009 in Kenya. The Company strives to create innovative, challenging and thought-provoking musicals that raise awareness of social issues.

Kesho Amahoro was first performed in 2010 in Kenya. The Rwandan High Commissioner to Kenya (former Ambassador) H.E. Mr William George Kayonga attended the final show:

*"I didn't know what to expect, but WOW, it was a great, great play... In Uganda, I was a victim of bullying in school, based on the fact that I was a refugee... Thank you very much for the message you shared today."*

Kesho Amahoro will make its UK debut in London, on stage at the Rose Theatre Kingston for the International Youth Arts Festival 2013 and some of the ticket sale profits will be donated to charity to support the children of Syria currently facing the difficulties of life as a refugee.



## Performances:

26<sup>th</sup> July 12.00

27<sup>th</sup> July 19.30

28<sup>th</sup> July 12.30

For tickets contact the Rose Theatre Box Office:

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