



## PERFORMER CALL OUT – HOLY DIRT 2025 SEASON

Female-identifying Physical Theatre Performer sought for the innovative outdoor production **Holy Dirt** Conceived and directed by Vidya Thirunarayan (The Clay Connection) and The David Glass Ensemble

### ABOUT HOLY DIRT

**Holy Dirt** is a 50-minute non-verbal outdoor performance exploring the intersection of eco-feminism and mythology. Through the characters of Parashakti (performed by Vidya Thirunarayan) and Draupadi (role to be cast), the production examines the feminine struggle within our ecological crisis, drawing from Southern Indian traditions. See trailer [here](#)

### 2025 PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:

- UK Rehearsals: June 9-20
  - July Performances:
    - Southampton: July 13
    - London: July 26-2
- (UK tour in 2026)

### ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum 3 years professional performance experience
- Strong physical theatre and dance skills
- Excellent physical stamina and strength
- Percussion/musical abilities
- Experience in object manipulation and puppetry
- Collaborative devising experience
- Female-identifying performers from all backgrounds welcome

### DESIRABLE SKILLS:

- Harness/aerial work experience
- Valid driving license
- Workshop facilitation experience
- Voice/singing abilities
- Experience with Asian performance traditions
- Previous touring experience
- Outdoor performance experience

### RATES OF PAY:

- Performance Fee: £750 per week
- Rehearsal/Development: £175 per day (for 3 days or less)
- Per diems provided for touring
- Accommodation and travel covered for touring dates
- Self-employed basis

### AUDITION PROCESS:

- Day workshop audition Wednesday March 26, 10am - 4 pm - London
- If called back, individual audition Thursday 27 March time tbc

## APPLICATION PROCESS:

Please submit:

1. Current CV
2. Cover letter (max 500 words) describing your relevant experience and interest in the project
3. Performance showreel or 2-3 video clips of recent work
4. Two professional references if possible

**Please send applications to** Lisa Wolfe (Producer) by email to [wolfework2@gmail.com](mailto:wolfework2@gmail.com)

Subject line: "Holy Dirt Performer Application - [Your Name]"

You can contact Lisa on 07761 453 584 if needed.

**DEADLINE:** Thursday 20 March 20, 2025, 18.00pm GMT.

If invited to audition you will hear from us by Monday 24 March.

## ABOUT THE COMPANIES

### **Vidya Thirunarayan: The Clay Connection**

Internationally renowned as a Bharatanatyam dancer, Vidya Thirunarayan is also a prominent ceramicist, and in 2015 she began producing and promoting work that blends her dual expertise as a dancer and potter under the banner **The Clay Connection**. She premiered and toured internationally her first outdoor work with this unique performance language, Lives of Clay, between 2021-24, directed by Tim Supple.

**The David Glass Ensemble** creates visceral, bold productions that respond to our rapidly changing world. For over three decades, we have been at the forefront of innovative storytelling, performing in more than 70 countries and collaborating with artists across cultures, abilities, and generations. Our work combines physical theatre, puppetry, and multimedia to create transformative theatrical experiences that challenge and inspire.