

New Conservatory Theatre Center • YouthAware Educational Theatre

OUTSPOKEN

By Prince Gomolvilas • Directed by Sara Staley

A Play About Diversity and Respect for Teens

Touring Northern and Central California Middle and High Schools

From October 22nd – December 12th 2013

OUTSPOKEN by Prince Gomolvilas, is an innovative play that looks at the many reasons teens feel ostracized in school and in their community including race, actual or perceived sexual orientation, and body type. *OUTSPOKEN* presents many different voices in scenes and monologues that help teens think and dialogue about stereotypes, labeling, diversity, bullying, respect and school safety within their community. Through *OUTSPOKEN*, we hope young people will find new ways to move past their differences to a real place of acceptance, respect, and understanding. Each performance is about 60-70 minutes in length, including a discussion with the cast following the play. Please give students an overview of what they will be seeing and go over proper theater etiquette with them prior to attending the performance. Below are some questions for pre-show discussion. A post-show handout with further discussion questions will also be provided at the performance.

You may download a copy of the script to preview at nctcsf.org/outspoken.

If you have questions about this program, please email sara@nctcsf.org.

Questions to Discuss Before You See the Play...

- ✓ What are some groups of people now or throughout our history who have been discriminated against or harassed based on who they are or for what they believe in?
- ✓ Is discrimination still happening today? Against who and why?
- ✓ Have you seen verbal or physical harassment or bullying happen within your school or community? What kind of incidents have you witnessed or been a part of?
- ✓ What kind of labels do teens put on each other and why? Why do you think people choose to put down or label those who are different from them?
- ✓ What are the consequences or dangers of bullying and harassment if it goes unresolved?



CA AB-537 Student Safety Act

AB 537, the California Student Safety and Violence Prevention Act of 2000, added actual or perceived sexual orientation and gender identity to the existing nondiscrimination policy which also prohibits harassment and discrimination on the basis of sex, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability.



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