

**isi bhakhomen (they/them)**  
Writer, Performer, and Producer

Rep: Lily Pritchard, Oldfield Management  
Status: ACTRA + CAEA + PGC  
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**Education**

National Theatre School of Canada, Certificate, Acting, Alisa Palmer, 2018—2021

**Theatre + Performance Art + Dance**

*refracting giants*, Performer, Toronto Dance Theatre, Leelee Oluwatoyosi Eko Davis  
*The Bad Mitzvah*, Vivian (Best Friend), SALT Theatre, Toronto Fringe Festival, Will Dao<sup>1</sup>  
*Classical Theatre Slam*, Marullus, Hart House Theatre, Shakespeare Bash'd<sup>2</sup>  
*Death and the King's Horseman*, Omosalewa (The Bride), Boluwatife and Guest, Stratford Festival, Tawiah M'Carthy  
*Hamlet*, Player (Prologue), Stratford Festival, Peter Pasyk  
*Towards Rebirth*, Molly 1, Shakespeare in the Ruff, Eva Barrie and Kaitlyn Riordan  
*Echo Sequence*, Performer, Gallery TPW, Ronnie Clarke  
*somewhere over the rainbow*, isi, Soulpepper Theatre's Queer Youth Cabaret, Courtney Ch'ng Lancaster  
*The Crucible*, Tituba, Hart House Theatre, Micheal Rubenstein  
*so far...*, Performer, City Youth Academy, Soulpepper Theatre, J. Villaverde and C. Green

**National Theatre School of Canada**

*To Those Who Wait in Fear*, Mabinty, N.T.S., ahdri zhina mandiola  
*Bonus Points if you have Air Conditioning*, Bowie, Alex, and Danielle, N.T.S., Andrew Kushnir  
*Everybody*, 2 and Strength (Somebody), N.T.S., Anita Rochon  
*Indecent*, Esther Stockton (Sarah), N.T.S., Mike Payette  
*The Most Offending Soul Alive*, King Henry IV and V, N.T.S., Danielle Irvine  
*Plays Over Days*, Various, N.T.S., Alisa Palmer  
*Shaw Period Study*, Various, N.T.S., Graeme Somerville and Marla McLean  
*The Three Sisters*, Olga, N.T.S., Jackie Maxwell  
*Angelique*, Angelique, N.T.S., Quincy Armorer  
*As You Like It*, Rosalind and Anna, N.T.S., Tim Welham

**Workshops + Readings**

*Quid Pro Quo*, Tarragon Theatre, Nathaniel Hanula-James  
*Miss Fortune 2023*, Theatre Passe Muraille, April Leung  
*Gringas*, Yari, First Born Theatre, Zoe Marin  
*If I've Sinned, I've Seized*, Alyssa, Nightwood Theatre, D.M. St. Bernard  
*SOWWY*, Performer, Buddies in Bad Times Theatre, Celia Green  
*Queen Maeve*, Siobhan, Here For Now Theatre, Murdoch Schon  
*Water Wars*, Melba and Madame Thabiso, Young People's Theatre, Lereko Mfono  
*exercise your demons*, being, The Langham Directors' Workshop, Stratford Festival, désirée leverenz  
*The Flood*, Sophia, The Langham Directors' Workshop, Stratford Festival, Rebecca Cuddy  
*A FREE BRITNEY*, Britney 1, Nightwood Theatre, Groundswell Festival, D.M. St. Bernard

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<sup>1</sup> Patron's Pick.

<sup>2</sup> Second place.

*No Knowledge College, Sunifya, Black and Free Research-Creation Project, Lisa Karen Cox*

### **Film + TV**

*An Ovary Thing, Brianna, Canadian Film Centre, Marianna Phung*

*How to Die Alone, Karaoke Singer, Big Hattie Productions with ABC Signature and ONYX Collective (Natasha Rothwell, Vera Santamaria, and Desiree Akhavan), Jude Weng*

*Wash Day, Magda, Kourtney Jackson*

### **Training Programs (Artist Residencies/Playwriting Units)**

*Nightwood Innovators Program, Nightwood Theatre, Amanda Lin, 2023/2024*

*Praxis of Possibility "P.O.P.", Toronto Dance Theatre, Leelee Oluwatoyosi Eko Davis, 2023*

*Young Ruffians, Shakespeare in the Ruff, Makram Ayache, 2020*

*Young Playwrights Unit, Tarragon Theatre, Paula Wing and Caitie Graham, 2018/2019*

*The Foundry, Factory Theatre, Nina Lee Aquino, 2017/2018*

*Creators Unit, Paprika Festival, Mickey Rodriguez and Jasmine Chen, 2017*

*Black Women Film! Canada, TIFF Cohort, Ella Cooper, 2017*

*City Youth Academy, Soulpepper Theatre, Jennifer Villaverde, 2017*

*Kensington Art Academy, Painting & Sketching, Sloan Sniderhan, 2016—2018*

*UforChange, Photography, Michael Kim, 2016/2017*

*Leading Ladies Program, Soulpepper Theatre, Paula Wing, 2016*

### **Arts Education + Administration**

Artistic Producer, *First Born Theatre, 2023—Present*

Operational Producer, *Glitter Pop Theatre, 2023—Present*

Co-Producer, *FEMPOCALYPSE, Nightwood Theatre, 2024*

Mentor, *Soulpepper Summer Mixtape Mentorship, 2023*

Co-Producer, *BOOM!, Paprika Festival, 2022*

Assistant Teacher, *Alumni Acting/Creation and Playwriting Masterclass with Paula Wing, Soulpepper Theatre, 2018*

### **Plays + Poetic Responses (Playwright/Theatre Critic)**

*BOOM!, Paprika Festival (in partnership with Rose Coloured Theatre and Obsidian Theatre)*

*Let Me Pass This Song to You, Taking on the World, Intermission Magazine, Soulpepper Theatre, SSHRC-CRSH*

*To Those Who Wait in Fear, National Theatre School of Canada*

*The Death News, Seeding the Future, 21 Black Futures, Obsidian Theatre, CBC Arts*

*Afro-Peruana, Canadian Stage*

### **Films (Writer/Director)**

*Neighbourhood Walks: Theatre Kidz Made Me Do It, AGO YOUTH, Art Gallery of Ontario*

*WE GET NO LOVE (Insomniac: The Movie), Insomniac Film Festival*

*Black Girl in Search of God, Insomniac Film Festival/TIFF Next Wave's Battle of the Scores*

### **Photography (Group Exhibitions)**

*Roots (Raíces), Sur Gallery, 2017, Toronto, ON*

### **Community (Volunteer)**

Board Member, Tenant Representative, *Victoria Shuter Non-Profit Housing Corp., Oct. 2023—Present*

Board Member, *Cahoots Theatre, Feb. 2022—Nov. 2023*

Member, Student Representative, *Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee*

*(EDIAC)*, National Theatre School of Canada, 2021  
Vice President (Anglo.), Student Council, National Theatre School of Canada, 2020/2021  
Manager of Cultural Life (Anglo.), Student Council, National Theatre School of Canada,  
2019/2020  
Member, AGO Youth Council, Art Gallery of Ontario, 2017/2018  
Minister of External Affairs, Student Council, St. Joseph's College School, 2015

**Special Skills**

Singing (*Alto*), Spanish (*Fluent*)