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## ***Stories, STARS and Surprises!***

**Toronto, November 24, 2009** - Mixed Company Theatre is delighted to announce the inaugural recipients of the **RISING STARS Award**.

These two young people have created positive solutions in response to neighbourhood issues by educating, engaging, and empowering their peers and community:

*Mr Aidan Gowland*

“Fought through physical and mental issues, but remained positive about his activism and artistic work”

*Ms Susie Jarozeska*

“She amazes me; all she has to offer people of any age around compassion and pure faith in empowering young people through the arts”

As part of the 25th Anniversary celebrations at the **1st Annual STARS Awards Gala** on November 25, Mixed Company acknowledges some of the shining stars who have supported the Company in reaching its silver anniversary. These partners - community, government, business and individuals - have demonstrated a long-term embedded passion for educating, engaging and empowering communities for positive change:

### **INDIVIDUALS**

*Mike Fuh*

*Luciano Iogna*

*Alex Neumann*

### **ORGANIZATIONS**

*Toronto District School Board*

*Toronto Hydro*

*Toronto Police Services Board & Toronto Police Service*

Join us for your chance to catch sight of these remarkable **STARS**, experience Mixed Company's performance **Stories** and enjoy a few more grand **Surprises** at what is sure to be an evening to remember ~ a few tickets remain at \$75 per person or \$200 for 3 people. Call 416 515 8080 or visit [www.mixedcompanytheatre.com](http://www.mixedcompanytheatre.com).

**WHERE:** SHAMBA foundation, 48 Yonge Street, Suite 1200, Toronto, ON  
NW Corner of Yonge & Wellington - Closest Subway Station: King Station

**WHEN:** Wednesday, November 25, 2009 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

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*Mixed Company Theatre produces innovative, socially relevant drama  
as a tool to educate, engage and empower for positive change.*

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