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Junction Village premieres at Naparima Bowl

The Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts (MTCA) will host a theatrical production, *Junction Village*, a comedic play by Trinidad and Tobago playwright Douglas Archibald over the next two weeks.

The play will premiere on Saturday 27 March 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at Naparima Bowl, San Fernando with a repeat performance on Sunday 28 March 2021 at 6:00 p.m. It will be performed by the National Theatre Arts Company of Trinidad and Tobago (NTAC), one of the three performing entities of the MTCA.

Junction Village is set in the 1950s during a traditional bongo night and tells the story of a village gathering to pay their respects to a stalwart from the community who is close to death. It is the NTAC's first show with a live audience since early 2020.

Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts Senator the Honourable Randall Mitchell welcomed the production which provides an avenue for creatives to sustain their livelihoods and a space for patrons to enjoy arts and culture in a safe environment.

Naparima Bowl and other national performance spaces re-opened last year and operate in adherence to the Public Health Ordinance Regulations which stipulate, among other things, operations at 50 percent capacity and modified seating arrangements to allow physical distancing.

"I am pleased that the national performing entities were able to stage this production during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is an encouraging development because yet again we are finding ways to keep our Trinbago culture alive and our artistic community engaged. I do believe this production will be a welcomed addition to the entertainment calendar," said Minister Mitchell.

The staging of *Junction Village* aligns with the Ministry's commitment to promote and support Trinidad and Tobago's culture and creatives industries, particularly during this difficult period.

Junction Village will move on to Queen's Hall the following week: 3 April 2021 at 7:30 p.m. and 4 April 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Tickets cost \$50.00 for adults while children under 17-years-old are free, but must be accompanied by an adult.

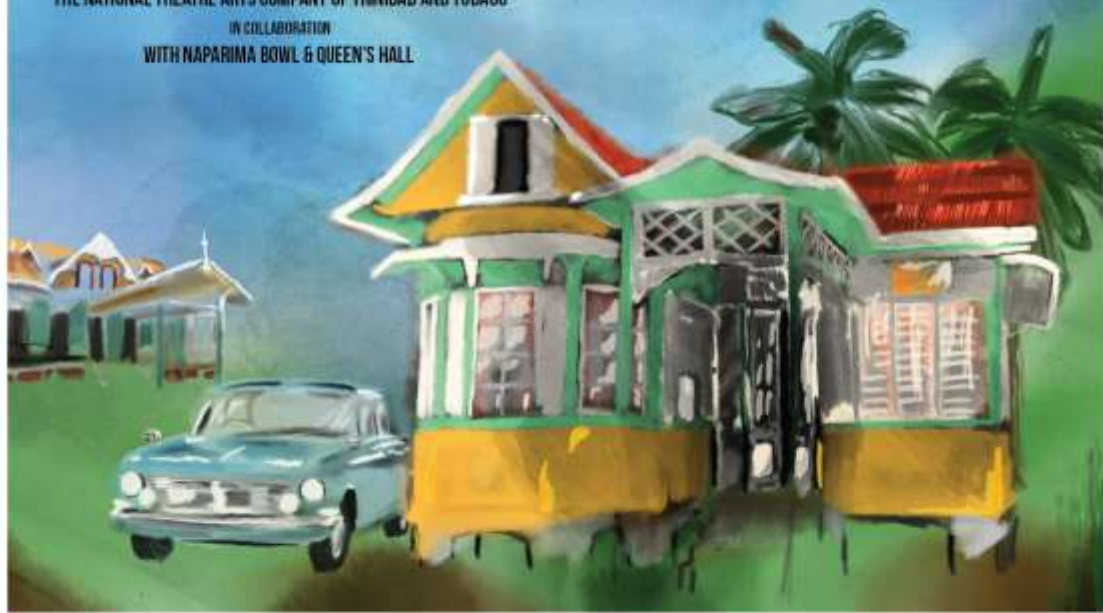


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JUNCTION VILLAGE

by Douglas Archibald

PRESENTED BY
THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM, CULTURE AND THE ARTS
PERFORMED BY
THE NATIONAL THEATRE ARTS COMPANY OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
IN COLLABORATION
WITH NAPARIMA BOWL & QUEEN'S HALL



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