

FLUSHING HOUSE

Young at Art Theatre Company and Action Racket Theatre

present

Words From the Melting Pot...

A saga about culture, heritage and immigration

Monday, November 22, 2010 @ 1:15pm

Flushing House, 38-20 Bowne Street, Flushing



Immigrants at Castle Clinton, Battery Park, New York City

performed by

Bertha Williams

Susan Guerra

Bruce Morano

Frances Petrocelli

additional writers, contributors and supporters

Aronia

Irving

Katharina

Leon

Margaret

Martha

Mary

Meryl

Rita

Ruth

Sergio

Toni

Tony

Vincent

Guitar accompaniment

Joshua Lutz

Choreography

Susan Guerra

co-directors & dramaturgs

Joanie Fritz Zosike

Lois Kagan Mingus

production supervisor

Joshua Lutz

Recreation Director

production coordinator

Katie Rivers

Activities Leader

We'd like to thank Josh Lutz, Katie Rivers, and the Staff at the front desk.



Words From the Melting Pot

Prologue	The Dream Keeper (Langston Hughes)	Joanie & Lois
Scene One	Procession	Ensemble
Scene Two	Gauntlet of Questions and Answers	Lois & Ensemble
Scene Three	We Are Here	Ensemble
Scene Four	The New World	Susan & Ensemble
	Poem Susan Guerra	Vocals Bertha & Joanie, Dance Lois & Susan
Scene Five	Well?	Ensemble
Scene Six	Picking Up the Pieces	Joanie & Ensemble
Scene Seven	To the New Land	Ensemble



Chinese Immigrants



Haitian Immigrants

To Lois and Joanie

Susan Guerra

To Lois and Joanie I'd like to say
 It's been fun working with you on this play.
 I'd like to say on this occasion
 How expressive was your persuasion
 As you encouraged us to open up,
 To share how we feel and suck fear up.
 You stayed to show us the fun
 Of just what had to be done.
 You encouraged our learned writers to share
 Some poems they'd written to lay bare
 And best of all, to bring the applause and smiles
 Of those who came to share with us a while.
 Thanks to all who took part
 From the bottom of our heart

Music

John Henry (Traditional)	Etta Baker
Procession Quatrains	Lyrics: Fritz Zosike
Respect	Aretha Franklin
Question	Moody Blues
The New Colossus	Lyrics: Emma Lazarus
	Music: Barbara Silberg
Bridge Over Troubled Water	Paul Simon
	Art Garfunkel
This Land Is Your Land	Woody Guthrie

“Not only is New York the nation's melting pot, it is also the casserole, the chafing dish and the charcoal grill.”—Mayor John V. Lindsay